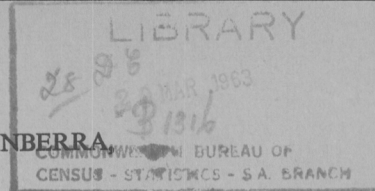


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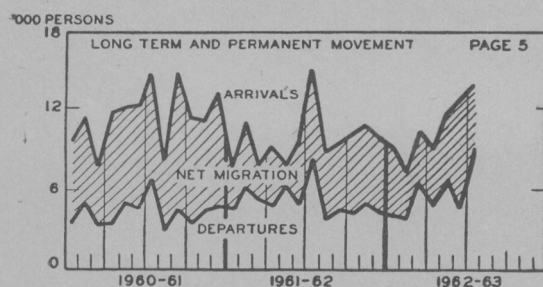
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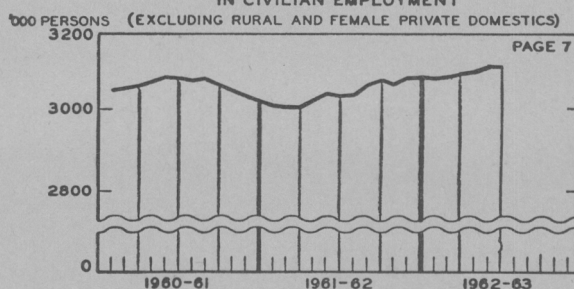
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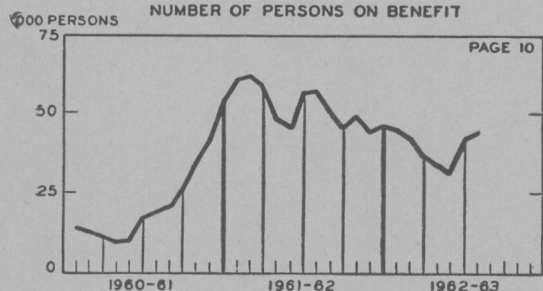
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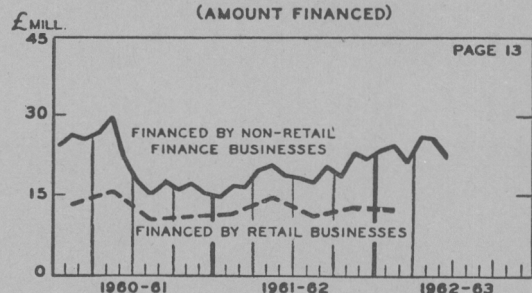
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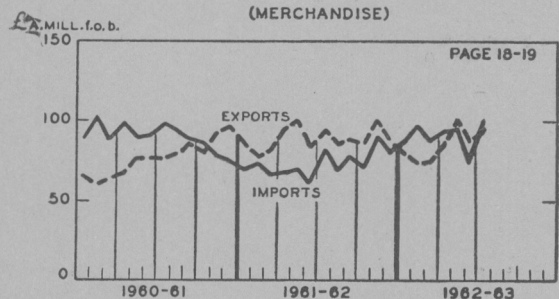
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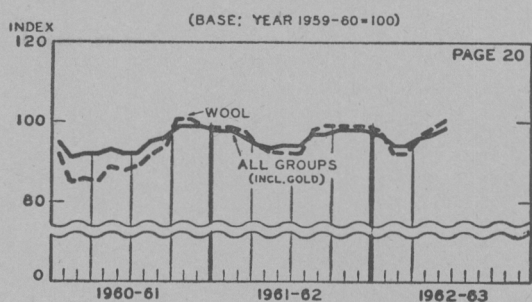
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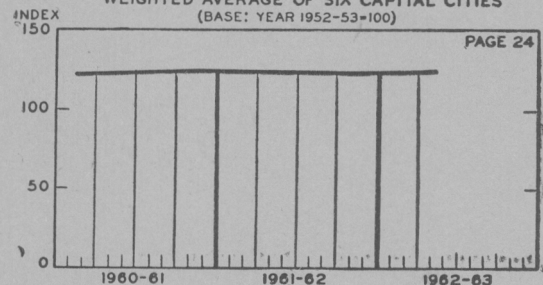
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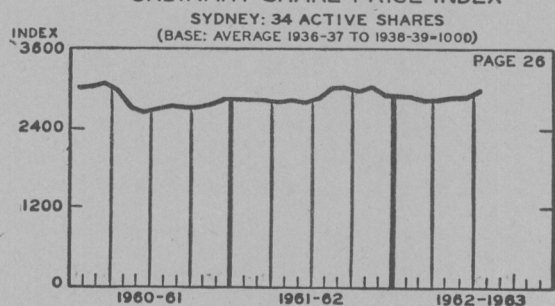
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# INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY

Period.	Wage and Salary Earners in Civilian Employment (excl. Rural and Female Private Domestics).(a)		Number of Persons on Unemployment Benefit.	Average Weekly Earnings (d) Index (Base: 1953-54=100).	Internal Trade—Retail Sales.(e)	Overseas Trade (Merchandise only—Values f.o.b. port of Shipment).		International Reserves. (f)	Building Approvals. (g)	New Houses and Flats Commenced. (h)
	Employed in Factories. (b)	Total Civilian Employment.(c)				Imports.	Exports.			
	'000	'000.			£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	No.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>								(i)		
1952-53 ..	893	2,544	29,984	95.2	424.7	42.5	70.7	561.2	n.a.	16,152
1953-54 ..	948	2,661	13,232	100.0	459.5	56.5	67.7	570.7	27.0	19,219
1954-55 ..	989	2,758	3,690	105.4	502.1	70.1	63.2	428.3	33.3	19,309
1955-56 ..	1,019	2,836	4,014	112.2	537.7	68.2	64.2	355.0	36.1	18,155
1956-57 ..	1,021	2,861	12,666	118.2	562.0	59.7	81.1	566.5	32.8	17,364
1957-58 ..	1,033	2,880	23,900	121.3	585.5	65.8	67.5	525.4	37.1	18,337
1958-59 ..	1,046	2,917	27,311	124.5	613.4	66.2	67.2	516.4	41.3	20,422
1959-60 ..	1,088	3,000	20,706	133.6	672.8	77.1	77.2	512.0	50.3	22,836
1960-61 ..	1,103	3,064	23,038	140.5	705.5	90.4	77.3	550.8	50.2	22,222
1961-62 ..	1,073	3,045	52,265	144.6	715.1	73.5	89.1	561.2	48.8	20,617
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
1960-61—	(j)		(k)					(i)		
January ..	1,111	3,079	19,257	141.3	666.7	99.8	76.5	374.5	34.6	20,136
February ..	1,108	3,083	20,941			94.8	79.1	373.6	41.4	
March ..	1,093	3,068	25,646			89.4	86.4	388.1	43.6	
April ..	1,080	3,051	35,025	141.1	{ 220.2 239.0 226.4	86.7	81.4	416.5	33.2	19,189
May ..	1,068	3,039	42,667			78.9	92.6	531.1	53.1	
June ..	1,055	3,021	54,254			74.6	97.3	550.8	51.9	
1961-62—						p	p			
July ..	1,048	3,009	61,499	141.8	{ r224.5 r227.2 r232.9	69.8	85.9	574.6	43.7	21,547
August ..	1,047	3,007	62,066			73.0	77.1	571.1	54.6	
September ..	1,046	3,004	59,561			66.9	81.2	573.4	53.2	
October ..	1,063	3,021	48,531	144.6	{ 233.7 r242.8 306.7	68.7	95.6	578.0	49.7	19,172
November ..	1,070	3,040	45,545			70.0	100.9	587.0	54.2	
December ..	1,065	3,037	56,756			61.9	83.0	601.7	40.0	
January ..	1,074	3,039	57,105	145.3	{ r229.5 215.5 231.7	82.0	95.0	596.1	38.6	20,348
February ..	1,087	3,065	50,112			69.2	85.9	607.7	44.8	
March ..	1,093	3,081	45,870			77.6	89.2	537.6	53.9	
April ..	1,087	3,070	49,136	146.8	{ r228.0 r253.5 r234.3	71.1	86.3	550.3	49.5	21,403
May ..	1,096	3,085	44,668			90.8	100.9	565.5	55.6	
June ..	1,100	3,088	46,324			81.7	87.1	561.2	48.0	
1962-63—										
July ..	1,101	3,086	45,453	146.0	{ 231.3 241.7 234.1	89.0	79.8	574.9	62.5	22,902
August ..	1,105	3,089	42,647			97.5	73.7	565.8	55.8	
September ..	1,109	3,097	36,851			87.6	74.1	560.5	56.4	
October ..	1,114	3,104	33,796	147.1	{ r248.0 r261.7 r311.5	93.6	87.4	570.9	58.7	21,669
November ..	r1,117	3,120	31,833			95.1	102.6	585.7	r54.6	
December ..	1,111	3,119	43,153			74.7	87.4	586.1	40.3	
January ..			45,009		241.9	103.4	96.4	587.4	50.7	

(a) Excludes Defence Forces at home or abroad and National Service trainees in camp. See also note (a), p. 7. (b) See note (a) on p. 9. (c) Subject to revision. See note (a), p. 7. (d) All industries: seasonally adjusted. Average earnings per employed male unit. See note (d) on p. 30. The figures are subject to revision. (e) Quarterly average sales for years and quarterly and monthly total sales. Excludes the Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. Excludes Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (f) Source: Reserve Bank. See Reserve Bank Statistical Bulletin, Financial Supplement, Sept., 1960, for a description of this series. (g) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities. (h) Includes owner-built houses. Quarterly averages for years and quarterly totals. From September quarter, 1954, includes the Northern Territory. (i) Annual and December figures as at end of period; other figures last Wednesday of month. (j) At end of month. (k) Last Saturday of month.

# INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY—continued

Period.	Wool Prices Index, Sydney. (a)	Production of Black Coal.	Total Electricity Generated.	Production of Ingot Steel (b)	New Motor Vehicles Registered (excluding Defence Service Vehicles).		P.M.G.'s Department Cash Receipts.	Commonwealth and Private Trading Banks (Major Trading Banks).		Bank Debits to Customers' Accounts (Weekly Averages).
					Motor Cars and Station Wagons. (c)	Other Motor Vehicles. (d)		Deposits.	Advances.	
	Pence per lb.	'000 tons.	Million kWh.	'000 tons. (e)	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£m.	£m.	£m.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>										
1952-53 ..	81.6	1,545	1,004	150.1	7.7	4.2	5,367	1,281.9	697.6	389.8
1953-54 ..	81.1	1,619	1,142	176.4	10.3	4.7	5,650	1,431.7	727.7	447.0
1954-55 ..	70.1	1,613	1,267	184.1	13.6	5.6	6,069	1,485.1	865.9	492.1
1955-56 ..	60.7	1,586	1,390	193.4	13.5	5.6	6,612	1,477.3	908.3	522.0
1956-57 ..	77.9	1,643	1,524	231.2	12.3	4.8	7,519	1,512.6	869.1	563.3
1957-58 ..	62.1	1,697	1,650	253.1	13.8	5.1	8,065	1,596.4	882.1	592.7
1958-59 ..	47.5	1,705	1,767	267.0	14.7	5.5	8,622	1,603.1	929.5	637.4
1959-60 ..	56.3	1,769	1,933	293.3	18.7	5.8	10,136	1,707.6	952.0	747.4
1960-61 ..	51.5	r1,912	2,068	312.3	18.6	4.9	11,347	1,728.7	1,050.0	803.8
1961-62 ..	54.1	r2,036	2,204	338.5	18.0	4.3	11,651	1,806.6	1,002.2	823.6
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
<b>1960-61—</b>		p	p							
December ..	49.5	1,674	1,946	337.3	17.6	4.8	12,196	1,727.6	1,080.3	856.5
January ..	50.0	r999	1,873	257.3	12.7	3.6	10,548	1,729.6	1,058.6	742.8
February ..	52.0	r1,949	1,859	282.5	12.9	4.1	10,681	1,760.5	1,030.4	768.8
March ..	53.0	r2,175	2,048	326.3	19.0	4.7	12,191	1,771.4	1,011.5	795.8
April ..	57.0	r1,433	1,949	321.8	14.8	4.1	10,905	1,758.3	1,016.8	757.1
May ..	57.0	r2,285	2,285	333.3	16.3	4.7	12,009	1,722.3	1,010.3	815.2
June ..	56.0	r2,141	2,266	330.6	14.2	4.2	12,813	1,715.2	1,020.1	781.7
<b>1961-62—</b>		p								
July ..	56.0	r2,232	2,408	351.7	13.6	3.8	10,477	1,701.0	1,034.9	820.1
August ..	56.0	r2,378	2,388	338.0	16.1	3.9	11,776	1,710.6	1,014.6	729.7
September ..	55.0	r2,171	2,156	339.2	15.7	3.8	11,159	1,728.3	1,000.8	789.0
October ..	53.0	r2,305	2,132	337.6	17.8	4.4	11,876	1,765.5	1,007.2	833.2
November ..	52.0	r2,292	2,094	311.4	18.4	4.4	11,516	1,790.4	999.0	815.6
December ..	52.0	r1,646	2,002	347.7	16.6	4.0	11,364	1,823.8	991.7	881.5
January ..	52.0	1,223	2,017	338.6	15.8	3.8	11,506	1,856.9	976.2	748.2
February ..	55.0	2,082	1,986	308.2	18.0	4.2	11,650	1,886.7	965.2	856.0
March ..	56.0	2,269	2,195	346.2	21.2	5.1	12,633	1,895.3	971.9	834.3
April ..	56.0	1,536	2,109	354.3	17.7	4.4	10,484	1,883.2	1,008.8	829.9
May ..	56.0	2,184	2,515	358.9	21.9	5.5	12,634	1,842.8	1,022.0	896.1
June ..	56.0	2,115	2,448	326.7	23.1	4.9	12,739	1,824.2	1,031.4	875.3
<b>1962-63—</b>										
July ..	55.0	2,320	2,628	357.8	23.7	5.2	11,741	1,822.8	1,060.9	931.2
August ..	52.0	r2,385	2,647	352.9	25.6	4.9	12,351	1,822.3	1,052.1	818.9
September ..	52.0	2,052	2,339	339.7	23.3	4.2	10,754	1,826.6	1,046.6	870.6
October ..	54.0	r2,410	2,435	360.6	26.5	5.1	13,720	1,866.5	1,051.8	912.5
November ..	55.0	2,336	2,298	363.9	27.1	5.1	12,547	1,875.1	1,054.1	885.0
December ..	57.0	r1,537	2,220	353.7	22.8	4.1	12,170	1,915.7	1,052.1	952.3
January ..	63.0		2,201	358.7	21.9	3.8	13,143	1,951.1	1,044.6	850.2

(a) Average price which a New South Wales clip of constant average quality would realize if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) Includes ambulances and hearses prior to 1955-56. (d) Excludes motor cycles; includes ambulances and hearses subsequent to 1954-55. (e) Monthly averages for twelve-months ended May.



# POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS: AUSTRALIA

Period.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase.(a)	Net Oversea Migration.(b)	Total Increase. (c)	Population at end of Period.
<b>Quarterly Average—</b>							
1952-53 .. ..	17,870	50,739	20,023	30,716	14,516	44,726	8,815,362
1953-54 .. ..	17,827	50,400	20,390	30,010	13,263	42,792	d8,986,530
1954-55 .. ..	17,848	51,213	20,541	30,672	22,868	53,300	9,199,729
1955-56 .. ..	18,169	52,719	20,712	32,007	24,710	56,458	9,425,563
1956-57 .. ..	18,111	53,753	21,467	32,286	21,594	53,644	9,640,138
1957-58 .. ..	18,511	55,265	21,150	34,115	16,650	50,549	9,842,333
1958-59 .. ..	18,458	56,495	22,013	34,482	19,289	53,537	10,056,479
1959-60 .. ..	18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54,635	10,275,020
1960-61 .. ..	19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58,292	d10,508,186
1961-62 .. ..	19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	49,234	10,705,121
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>							
1959-60—							
June Quarter ..	19,875	59,013	21,792	37,221	16,132	53,113	10,275,020
1960-61—							
September „ ..	15,995	59,218	26,498	32,720	18,571	51,061	10,326,081
December „ ..	20,385	56,285	19,982	36,303	29,834	65,839	10,391,920
March „ ..	19,940	61,118	20,331	40,787	22,527	63,025	10,454,945
June „ ..	20,042	61,214	21,983	39,231	14,258	53,241	d10,508,186
1961-62—							
September „ ..	16,063	60,316	26,001	34,315	9,770	44,085	10,552,271
December „ ..	20,641	57,338	20,646	36,692	14,968	51,660	10,603,931
March „ ..	20,509	60,529	20,427	40,102	16,717	56,819	10,660,750
June „ ..	20,359	60,263	22,847	37,416	6,955	44,371	10,705,121
1962-63—							
September „ ..	17,360	58,675	27,339	31,336	16,204	47,540	10,752,661

(a) Excess of births over deaths. (b) Excess of arrivals over departures. (c) Includes natural increase, net overseas migration and up to June, 1961, adjustments of population, on the basis of Census results. (d) Census, 30th June.

## POPULATION: STATES

NOTE.—The estimated populations since 30th June, 1961, for each State represent the population ascertained from the results of the Census at that date plus natural increase and recorded net migration into each State. As complete records of interstate migration are not available, the estimated State populations since 30th June, 1961, are approximate and are subject to revision when the actual population of each State is ascertained at the next Census. For some States such revisions, in the past, were substantial.

Date.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>30th June—</b>									
1953 ..	3,383,792	2,395,254	1,291,410	775,781	620,547	304,080	15,853	28,645	8,815,362
1954 (a) ..	3,423,529	2,452,341	1,318,259	797,094	639,771	308,752	16,469	30,315	8,986,530
1955 ..	3,490,749	2,517,229	1,350,017	819,567	657,115	314,092	18,210	32,750	9,199,729
1956 ..	3,554,257	2,593,468	1,381,591	848,557	674,529	318,470	19,556	35,135	9,425,563
1957 ..	3,624,969	2,656,257	1,413,085	873,166	687,605	326,130	21,061	37,865	9,640,138
1958 ..	3,691,954	2,718,482	1,439,199	896,803	699,565	333,066	22,097	41,167	9,842,333
1959 ..	3,759,834	2,785,905	1,468,237	920,898	712,070	339,376	24,089	46,070	10,056,479
1960 ..	3,832,453	2,857,389	1,495,927	945,320	722,080	343,910	25,573	52,368	10,275,020
1961 (a) ..	3,917,013	2,930,113	1,518,828	969,340	736,629	350,340	27,095	58,828	10,508,186
1962 (b) ..	3,976,736	2,991,471	1,542,629	989,389	754,477	356,937	27,790	65,692	10,705,121
30th Sept.— 1962 ..									10,752,661

(a) Census.

(b) See NOTE above.

## OVERSEA ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

*Permanent movement*—persons arriving with stated intent to settle permanently in Australia, and residents departing with stated intent to reside permanently abroad.

*Long-term movement*—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with stated intent to stay (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more, and the departure of visitors and return of residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

*Short-term movement*—all other movement, including Australian troops irrespective of stay.

### ARRIVALS

Period.	Permanent Movement.	Long-term Movement.		Short-term Movement.		Total Arrivals.	Excess of Total Arrivals over Total Departures.
	Settlers Arriving.	Residents Returning.	Visitors Arriving.	Residents Returning.	Visitors Arriving.		
<b>Monthly Average—</b>							
1957-58 .. ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,844	4,922	18,764	5,550
1958-59 .. ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,999	5,361	20,085	6,430
1959-60 .. ..	8,824	1,337	979	5,527	6,332	22,999	6,593
1960-61 .. ..	9,024	1,406	1,110	6,821	7,731	26,092	7,099
1961-62 .. ..	7,150	1,608	1,119	7,661	8,515	26,053	4,034
<b>Monthly Total—</b>							
1961-62—January ..	11,312	1,943	1,850	10,332	8,531	33,968	6,091
February ..	5,635	1,512	1,842	8,135	9,755	26,879	7,883
March ..	6,840	1,540	1,184	6,900	9,663	26,127	2,743
April ..	8,156	1,292	792	6,353	8,403	24,996	1,968
May ..	8,033	1,692	1,101	7,490	8,370	26,686	1,888
June ..	7,658	1,278	930	6,196	6,825	22,887	3,099
1962-63—July ..	7,336	1,089	857	6,270	6,499	22,051	5,466
August ..	5,247	1,419	839	6,618	8,491	22,614	4,307
September ..	7,379	1,788	942	9,676	8,904	28,689	6,431
October ..	6,046	2,086	1,088	10,248	10,698	30,166	8,918
November ..	8,110	2,196	1,296	9,604	12,363	33,569	8,248
December r	8,712	2,745	1,220	8,093	12,922	33,692	5,480
January p ..	10,040	2,043	1,826	11,826	10,623	36,358	4,642

### DEPARTURES

Period.	Permanent Movement.		Long-term Movement.		Short-term Movement.		Total Departures.
	Former Settlers Departing. <sup>b</sup>	Other Residents Departing.	Residents Departing.	Visitors Departing.	Residents Departing.	Visitors Departing.	
<b>Monthly Average—</b>							
1957-58 .. ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,714	4,964	13,214
1958-59 .. ..	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,933	5,481	13,655
1959-60 .. ..	525	538	2,061	653	6,113	6,516	16,406
1960-61 .. ..	494	458	2,379	985	6,847	7,830	18,993
1961-62 .. ..	770	597	2,781	1,049	7,840	8,982	22,019
<b>Monthly Total—</b>							
1961-62—January ..	1,149	949	4,799	1,487	8,169	11,324	27,877
February ..	503	453	1,921	776	6,631	8,712	18,996
March ..	517	462	2,546	930	8,531	10,398	23,384
April ..	559	384	2,333	916	9,978	8,858	23,028
May ..	487	670	2,723	1,133	9,796	9,989	24,798
June ..	588	608	2,197	911	7,656	7,828	19,788
1962-63—July ..	493	457	2,125	1,028	5,897	6,585	16,585
August ..	548	383	2,292	607	6,355	8,122	18,307
September ..	1,122	740	3,232	1,402	6,982	8,780	22,258
October ..	714	617	2,289	1,236	6,410	9,982	21,248
November ..	1,031	617	3,158	1,444	7,796	11,275	25,321
December r	807	571	2,166	1,267	11,671	11,730	28,212
January p ..	1,203	872	5,362	1,639	9,395	13,245	31,716

(a) Not available. (b) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestic and Defence Forces (b).)  
(‘000.)

Month.	Civilian Employees in Main Industrial Groups.								Total Civilian Employees.		
	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Wholesale Trade, etc.; Finance, Property.	Public Authority (n.e.i.); Community Services, etc.(d)	Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service.	Private Employers.	Government Authorities.(e)	Total.
MALES.											
1958—June ..	51.6	791.1	202.4	311.8	132.7	216.3	226.1	74.2	1,476.1	621.8	2,097.9
1959—June ..	49.1	805.6	205.2	312.6	133.6	221.5	233.2	73.7	1,493.7	633.9	2,127.6
1960—June ..	49.3	840.9	206.6	312.0	137.3	231.1	240.6	75.3	1,554.4	633.3	2,187.7
1961—June ..	48.6	810.3	205.3	316.4	135.3	235.7	250.0	75.5	1,522.8	649.9	2,172.7
1962—June ..	46.7	836.1	205.4	309.0	138.5	237.1	260.7	76.0	1,544.7	662.2	2,206.9
1961-62—Nov. ..	47.3	816.1	197.4	311.6	139.4	238.1	252.6	76.2	1,524.7	649.8	2,174.5
Dec. ..	47.3	812.5	195.5	311.0	141.9	237.6	253.2	77.6	1,523.0	649.3	2,172.3
Jan. ..	47.3	818.3	195.4	310.4	138.3	237.9	254.9	77.1	1,524.9	651.2	2,176.1
Feb. ..	47.2	825.2	198.9	311.8	137.8	238.7	257.1	76.8	1,533.5	657.1	2,190.6
Mar. ..	47.0	828.4	202.9	312.3	138.2	239.1	258.6	76.7	1,538.6	661.5	2,200.1
April ..	46.8	826.7	201.8	309.5	137.7	237.8	259.6	77.0	1,531.1	662.8	2,193.9
May ..	46.8	833.7	205.2	310.4	138.4	237.6	260.0	76.4	1,542.4	663.2	2,205.6
June ..	46.7	836.1	205.4	309.0	138.5	237.1	260.7	76.0	1,544.7	662.2	2,206.9
1962-63—July ..	46.7	837.2	203.3	309.6	138.0	235.8	260.8	75.9	1,543.9	660.9	2,204.8
Aug. ..	46.7	839.7	200.9	309.4	137.8	236.7	261.2	76.2	1,547.4	658.4	2,205.8
Sept. ..	46.5	841.9	200.2	309.7	138.1	238.0	261.2	77.6	1,553.1	657.1	2,210.2
Oct. ..	46.6	844.4	198.9	308.7	138.5	239.6	261.2	77.9	1,556.4	655.9	2,212.3
Nov. ..	46.7	r846.2	197.8	309.9	141.2	241.5	261.8	78.7	r1,563.2	657.2	r2,220.4
Dec. ..	46.7	843.3	195.4	309.9	143.8	242.3	262.3	80.0	1,562.4	658.2	2,220.6
FEMALES.											
1958—June ..	1.1	244.0	5.5	39.9	125.6	92.3	198.4	77.8	655.9	136.6	792.5
1959—June ..	1.1	248.9	5.6	40.3	126.5	95.3	209.9	77.3	669.1	143.9	813.0
1960—June ..	1.1	270.4	6.0	40.9	133.1	101.5	220.0	78.3	709.4	150.2	859.6
1961—June ..	1.2	245.1	6.3	41.5	133.5	104.3	230.9	76.8	690.6	157.6	848.2
1962—June ..	1.2	263.5	6.4	40.8	137.5	104.6	241.8	76.5	716.5	164.6	881.1
1961-62—Nov. ..	1.2	253.4	6.2	40.8	141.2	103.6	233.3	76.7	706.8	158.3	865.1
Dec. ..	1.2	252.8	6.2	40.9	142.1	103.5	231.0	78.0	707.3	157.0	864.3
Jan. ..	1.2	255.9	6.2	41.1	135.6	104.6	231.5	77.5	704.7	157.8	862.5
Feb. ..	1.2	261.9	6.3	41.1	134.9	105.7	237.1	77.1	711.9	162.2	874.1
Mar. ..	1.2	265.0	6.3	41.3	136.3	105.6	239.1	76.9	717.1	163.4	880.5
April ..	1.2	259.8	6.3	41.1	136.0	104.8	239.9	77.7	711.3	164.3	875.6
May ..	1.2	262.6	6.3	40.9	137.3	104.7	240.5	77.0	715.2	164.1	879.3
June ..	1.2	263.5	6.4	40.8	137.5	104.6	241.8	76.5	716.5	164.6	881.1
1962-63—July ..	1.2	263.3	6.4	40.5	136.5	104.3	243.6	76.1	715.4	165.3	880.7
Aug. ..	1.2	265.0	6.4	40.6	136.7	104.0	243.6	76.5	717.8	165.0	882.8
Sept. ..	1.2	266.8	6.4	40.6	137.7	104.0	243.8	77.9	722.4	164.7	887.1
Oct. ..	1.2	269.7	6.4	40.8	138.8	103.9	243.8	78.0	726.7	164.7	891.4
Nov. ..	1.2	r270.5	6.4	40.9	144.2	104.7	244.1	78.6	r734.6	164.8	r899.4
Dec. ..	1.2	267.6	6.4	41.0	146.3	104.7	242.4	79.7	734.4	163.6	898.0

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# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)—continued

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestics and Defence Forces (b).)

('000.)

Month.	Civilian Employees in Main Industrial Groups.								Total Civilian Employees.		
	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Wholesale Trade, etc.; Finance, Property.	Public Authority (n.e.i.); Community Services, etc.(d)	Amusement, Hotels, Personal Service.	Private Employers.	Government Authorities. (e)	Total.
PERSONS.											
1953—June ..	58.9	913.0	197.5	331.3	234.9	262.5	368.6	144.3	1,924.5	679.8	2,604.3
1954—June ..	59.7	970.0	210.4	336.6	243.7	275.3	374.1	146.0	2,014.1	695.9	2,710.0
1955—June ..	59.4	1,002.0	216.7	347.1	251.0	290.2	387.0	151.2	2,079.7	721.9	2,801.6
1956—June ..	58.5	1,020.5	219.7	350.5	253.0	300.8	401.5	152.1	2,120.9	734.7	2,855.6
1957—June ..	57.5	1,023.1	212.7	353.1	251.2	304.3	413.0	152.9	2,123.3	742.3	2,865.6
1958—June ..	52.7	1,035.1	207.9	351.7	258.3	308.6	424.5	152.0	2,132.0	758.4	2,890.4
1959—June ..	50.2	1,054.5	210.8	352.9	260.1	316.8	443.1	151.0	2,162.8	777.8	2,940.6
1960—June ..	50.4	1,111.3	212.6	352.9	270.4	332.6	460.6	153.6	2,263.8	783.5	3,047.3
1961—June ..	49.8	1,055.4	211.6	357.9	268.8	340.0	480.9	152.3	2,213.4	807.5	3,020.9
1962—June ..	47.9	1,099.6	211.8	349.8	276.0	341.7	502.5	152.5	2,261.2	826.8	3,088.0
1960-61—Nov. ..	50.3	1,125.5	214.6	351.6	284.4	339.0	464.2	155.9	2,307.5	781.0	3,088.5
Dec. ..	50.3	1,114.4	212.6	353.4	289.0	340.8	463.6	157.5	2,302.5	782.1	3,084.6
Jan. ..	49.4	1,111.4	213.9	355.4	279.6	343.8	465.4	156.1	2,292.8	786.2	3,079.0
Feb. ..	50.0	1,107.5	215.0	356.2	276.4	345.5	472.9	155.4	2,289.7	793.4	3,083.1
Mar. ..	50.2	1,093.4	212.9	357.7	274.0	345.1	474.8	155.4	2,270.6	797.3	3,067.9
April ..	49.8	1,080.0	212.2	358.5	271.3	343.5	476.8	154.5	2,250.0	800.8	3,050.8
May ..	50.0	1,068.2	213.0	358.1	271.0	341.6	478.8	153.6	2,233.4	805.1	3,038.5
June ..	49.8	1,055.4	211.6	357.9	268.8	340.0	480.9	152.3	2,213.4	807.5	3,020.9
1961-62—July ..	49.7	1,048.0	209.5	356.6	268.0	338.0	483.2	151.4	2,200.0	808.8	3,008.8
Aug. ..	49.5	1,046.7	208.2	355.4	268.0	338.4	483.9	152.0	2,197.3	809.2	3,006.5
Sept. ..	47.0	1,045.8	206.9	354.4	269.1	339.2	484.4	152.9	2,196.1	807.8	3,003.9
Oct. ..	46.0	1,063.4	204.9	352.7	271.4	339.9	485.4	152.5	2,212.9	807.6	3,020.5
Nov. ..	48.5	1,069.5	203.6	352.4	280.6	341.7	485.9	152.9	2,231.5	808.1	3,039.6
Dec. ..	48.5	1,065.3	201.7	351.9	284.0	341.1	484.2	155.6	2,230.3	806.3	3,036.6
Jan. ..	48.5	1,074.2	201.6	351.5	273.9	342.5	486.4	154.6	2,229.6	809.0	3,038.6
Feb. ..	48.4	1,087.1	205.2	352.9	272.7	344.4	494.2	153.9	2,245.4	819.3	3,064.7
Mar. ..	48.2	1,093.4	209.2	353.6	274.5	344.7	497.7	153.6	2,255.7	824.9	3,080.6
April ..	48.0	1,086.5	208.1	350.6	273.7	342.6	499.5	154.7	2,242.4	827.1	3,069.5
May ..	48.0	1,096.3	211.5	351.3	275.7	342.3	500.5	153.4	2,257.6	827.3	3,084.9
June ..	47.9	1,099.6	211.8	349.8	276.0	341.7	502.5	152.5	2,261.2	826.8	3,088.0
1962-63—July ..	47.9	1,100.5	209.7	350.1	274.5	340.1	504.4	152.0	2,259.3	826.2	3,085.5
Aug. ..	47.9	1,104.7	207.3	350.0	274.5	340.7	504.8	152.7	2,265.2	823.4	3,088.6
Sept. ..	47.7	1,108.7	206.6	350.3	275.8	342.0	505.0	155.5	2,275.5	821.8	3,097.3
Oct. ..	47.8	1,114.1	205.3	349.5	277.3	343.5	505.0	155.9	2,283.1	820.6	3,103.7
Nov. ..	47.9	1,116.7	204.2	350.8	285.4	346.2	505.9	157.3	2,297.8	822.0	3,119.8
Dec. ..	47.9	1,110.9	201.8	350.9	290.1	347.0	504.7	159.7	2,296.8	821.8	3,118.6

(a) The figures on pages 6-8 are estimates, derived from annual Factory Censuses, returns of government employment, Pay-roll Tax returns, other direct collections and estimates of the number of employees not covered by these collections. The results of the 1961 Population Census that are at present available indicate that some revisions to these estimates will be necessary. (b) Figures to June, 1959 also exclude National Service trainees in camp. (c) From July, 1961, subject to revision. See note on page 9. (d) Includes Law and

Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health Services, Education and other Community and Business Services. (e) Includes all employees of Government authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and semi-government) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post offices, air transport, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT. (a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestic and Defence Forces (b).)

('000.)

Month.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
MALES.									
1959—June ..	819.0	603.4	287.8	192.0	140.0	67.6	5.9	11.9	2,127.6
1960—June ..	846.8	623.4	290.4	196.6	141.7	69.4	6.3	13.1	2,187.7
1961—June ..	841.6	619.4	284.8	195.7	142.2	69.1	6.4	13.5	2,172.7
1961-62— December	846.9	620.5	275.0	196.0	143.5	69.6	6.5	14.3	2,172.3
January ..	848.1	621.6	275.0	196.8	144.3	69.5	6.5	14.3	2,176.1
February ..	853.5	625.5	278.6	197.2	145.0	69.6	6.5	14.7	2,190.6
March ..	856.6	626.1	281.8	198.3	146.3	69.8	6.3	14.9	2,200.1
April ..	855.1	622.7	281.4	197.8	145.6	69.8	6.5	15.0	2,193.9
May ..	858.0	625.5	285.5	198.6	146.4	70.0	6.6	15.0	2,205.6
June ..	858.0	624.5	287.5	199.2	146.5	69.5	6.6	15.1	2,206.9
1962-63— July ..	856.4	623.3	288.0	199.4	146.5	69.4	6.8	15.0	2,204.8
August ..	856.3	623.5	288.3	199.7	146.5	69.5	6.9	15.1	2,205.8
September ..	857.7	625.6	287.5	200.5	147.3	69.4	6.9	15.3	2,210.2
October ..	859.3	627.6	286.3	200.2	147.2	69.5	6.8	15.4	2,212.3
November ..	864.4	630.7	285.4	200.2	147.9	69.5	6.8	15.5	2,220.4
December ..	863.7	634.0	279.8	201.3	148.9	70.5	6.7	15.7	2,220.6
FEMALES.									
1959—June ..	320.4	252.8	97.9	65.9	47.0	23.3	1.4	4.3	813.0
1960—June ..	340.1	268.1	101.8	69.8	49.2	24.2	1.6	4.8	859.6
1961—June ..	335.5	261.5	100.4	69.4	49.9	24.3	1.8	5.4	848.2
1961-62— December	344.6	266.2	100.6	70.8	50.7	24.2	1.7	5.5	864.3
January ..	341.9	267.2	100.1	71.7	50.5	23.8	1.7	5.6	862.5
February ..	344.6	273.0	101.8	72.1	51.0	24.3	1.7	5.6	874.1
March ..	346.8	274.0	102.5	72.9	52.1	24.7	1.7	5.8	880.5
April ..	347.1	270.5	101.6	72.0	52.0	24.8	1.8	5.8	875.6
May ..	348.3	272.3	102.2	72.1	52.1	24.6	1.8	5.9	879.3
June ..	348.5	272.4	103.0	72.9	51.9	24.7	1.8	5.9	881.1
1962-63— July ..	348.2	273.3	102.8	72.5	52.1	24.0	1.9	5.9	880.7
August ..	349.2	273.5	103.6	72.8	52.1	23.7	1.9	6.0	882.8
September ..	350.9	275.0	104.1	73.0	52.6	23.6	1.9	6.0	887.1
October ..	353.8	275.5	104.4	73.4	52.6	23.7	1.9	6.1	891.4
November ..	357.4	277.7	104.9	74.1	53.5	23.7	2.0	6.1	899.4
December ..	356.9	277.1	104.0	74.4	52.9	24.4	2.1	6.2	898.0
PERSONS.									
1959—June ..	1,139.4	856.2	385.7	257.9	187.0	90.9	7.3	16.2	2,940.6
1960—June ..	1,186.9	891.5	392.2	266.4	190.9	93.6	7.9	17.9	3,047.3
1961—June ..	1,177.1	880.9	385.2	265.1	192.1	93.4	8.2	18.9	3,020.9
1961-62— December	1,191.5	886.7	375.6	266.8	194.2	93.8	8.2	19.8	3,036.6
January ..	1,190.0	888.8	375.1	268.5	194.8	93.3	8.2	19.9	3,038.6
February ..	1,198.1	898.5	380.4	269.3	196.0	93.9	8.2	20.3	3,064.7
March ..	1,203.4	900.1	384.3	271.2	198.4	94.5	8.0	20.7	3,080.6
April ..	1,202.2	893.2	383.0	269.8	197.6	94.6	8.3	20.8	3,069.5
May ..	1,206.3	897.8	387.7	270.7	198.5	94.6	8.4	20.9	3,084.9
June ..	1,206.5	896.9	390.5	272.1	198.4	94.2	8.4	21.0	3,088.0
1962-63— July ..	1,204.6	896.6	390.8	271.9	198.6	93.4	8.7	20.9	3,085.5
August ..	1,205.5	897.0	391.9	272.5	198.6	93.2	8.8	21.1	3,088.6
September ..	1,208.6	900.6	391.6	273.5	199.9	93.0	8.8	21.3	3,097.3
October ..	1,213.1	903.1	390.7	273.6	199.8	93.2	8.7	21.5	3,103.7
November ..	1,221.8	908.4	390.3	274.3	201.4	93.2	8.8	21.6	3,119.8
December ..	1,220.6	911.1	383.8	275.7	201.8	94.9	8.8	21.9	3,118.6

(a) See notes on page 7.

(b) Figures for June, 1959, also exclude National Service trainees in camp.

# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES (a)

('000.)

Month.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.		
							Males.	Females.	Persons.
1953—June ..	372.7	304.5	91.4	78.2	43.6	22.6	701.5	211.5	913.0
1954—June ..	394.7	324.2	96.5	84.8	45.5	24.3	738.0	232.0	970.0
1955—June ..	408.1	336.5	97.9	87.4	47.3	24.8	763.5	238.5	1,002.0
1956—June ..	418.0	341.1	98.4	89.4	46.5	27.1	778.0	242.5	1,020.5
1957—June ..	422.5	340.1	99.9	88.4	45.8	26.4	780.2	242.9	1,023.1
1958—June ..	431.5	342.8	99.4	88.9	45.2	27.3	791.1	244.0	1,035.1
1959—June ..	436.9	351.7	100.9	92.2	45.3	27.5	805.6	248.9	1,054.5
1960—June ..	461.6	374.2	102.5	97.1	46.8	29.1	840.9	270.4	1,111.3
1961—June ..	437.4	351.9	99.4	91.3	46.6	28.8	810.3	245.1	1,055.4
1962—June ..	453.6	370.1	100.5	97.1	48.8	29.5	836.1	263.5	1,099.6
1960-61—Nov. ..	468.0	382.2	99.8	98.4	48.3	28.8	849.3	276.2	1,125.5
Dec. ..	463.9	379.8	95.2	97.9	48.1	29.5	843.0	271.4	1,114.4
Jan. ..	460.4	378.6	96.0	98.8	47.9	29.7	844.0	267.4	1,111.4
Feb. ..	458.2	378.6	97.1	96.3	47.7	29.6	838.5	269.0	1,107.5
Mar. ..	452.5	372.9	96.2	94.7	47.8	29.3	829.8	263.6	1,093.4
April ..	446.3	366.9	96.1	93.7	47.8	29.2	823.5	256.5	1,080.0
May ..	441.4	359.0	98.7	92.8	47.4	28.9	818.1	250.1	1,068.2
June ..	437.4	351.9	99.4	91.3	46.6	28.8	810.3	245.1	1,055.4
1961-62—July ..	433.5	348.3	100.9	90.5	46.4	28.4	806.5	241.5	1,048.0
Aug. ..	432.6	349.0	99.8	90.3	47.0	28.0	804.2	242.5	1,046.7
Sept. ..	436.6	348.5	99.0	86.5	47.5	27.7	800.5	245.3	1,045.8
Oct. ..	441.7	357.0	97.9	91.4	47.6	27.8	813.1	250.3	1,063.4
Nov. ..	443.3	360.8	96.6	92.6	47.9	28.3	816.1	253.4	1,069.5
Dec. ..	442.3	360.5	92.4	93.1	47.9	29.1	812.5	252.8	1,065.3
Jan. ..	443.9	364.6	93.2	95.0	48.3	29.2	818.3	255.9	1,074.2
Feb. ..	448.2	369.4	95.9	95.8	48.7	29.1	825.2	261.9	1,087.1
Mar. ..	450.4	371.0	96.7	96.8	49.0	29.5	828.4	265.0	1,093.4
April ..	449.7	366.7	96.0	95.9	48.6	29.6	826.7	259.8	1,086.5
May ..	452.5	370.2	98.5	96.6	48.9	29.6	833.7	262.6	1,096.3
June ..	453.6	370.1	100.5	97.1	48.8	29.5	836.1	263.5	1,099.6
1962-63—July ..	453.2	371.1	101.1	97.2	48.9	29.0	837.2	263.3	1,100.5
Aug. ..	454.5	372.9	101.8	97.8	49.0	28.7	839.7	265.0	1,104.7
Sept. ..	455.8	375.3	101.5	98.3	49.3	28.5	841.9	266.8	1,108.7
Oct. ..	458.6	377.9	100.9	98.6	49.5	28.6	844.4	269.7	1,114.1
Nov. ..	r460.3	r379.7	99.8	98.6	r49.7	28.6	r846.2	r270.5	r1,116.7
Dec. ..	458.6	378.9	95.0	98.6	50.1	29.6	843.3	267.6	1,110.9

(a) Factory employment figures for periods to June, 1961 represent actual employment as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories. From July, 1961, the figures are interim estimates derived from Pay-roll Tax returns and other direct collections and are based on June, 1961. These interim estimates are subject to revision when Factory Censuses for 1961-62 and ensuing years are tabulated. Figures to June, 1959 also exclude National Service trainees in camp.



# UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS (a)

## NUMBERS OF PERSONS ON BENEFIT.

Period.	Unemployment.									Sickness.	Special.	
	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tas-mania.	Australia.(c)(d)				Ordinary.	Migrant. <i>b</i>
							Males.	Females.	Persons.			
Monthly Average—										Australia	Australia	Australia.
1952-53 ..	c17,590	6,168	4,281	(d) 842	841	262	25,526	4,458	29,984	7,140	1,408	(e) 415
1953-54 ..	c 6,495	2,698	3,169	(d) 252	406	212	10,680	2,552	13,232	7,994	1,868	426
1954-55 ..	1,440	538	1,408	66	153	81	2,623	1,067	3,690	7,984	1,983	484
1955-56 ..	1,362	479	1,511	83	515	57	3,066	948	4,014	7,303	1,973	464
1956-57 ..	4,151	3,349	2,343	702	1,972	134	10,355	2,311	12,666	6,992	2,012	823
1957-58 ..	8,706	5,127	5,588	1,566	2,360	512	18,978	4,922	23,900	7,314	2,107	611
1958-59 ..	11,588	5,743	4,883	1,603	2,838	611	20,204	7,107	27,311	8,241	2,147	463
1959-60 ..	7,718	4,267	4,442	1,227	2,460	561	14,713	5,993	20,706	8,722	2,290	344
1960-61 ..	7,332	4,884	6,263	1,732	2,200	576	17,243	5,795	23,038	8,505	2,397	437
1961-62 ..	18,932	14,782	10,261	3,748	2,908	1,522	39,694	12,570	52,264	9,379	2,334	475
Last Saturday of Month—												
1960-61—												
December ..	4,659	2,116	7,751	875	1,890	319	13,647	3,986	17,633	8,216	2,447	193
January ..	5,166	2,169	8,510	942	2,147	291	14,985	4,272	19,257	7,758	2,436	433
February ..	5,375	2,341	9,045	1,494	2,328	323	15,854	5,087	20,941	8,166	2,463	95
March ..	6,809	4,192	9,603	2,068	2,536	366	19,558	6,088	25,646	8,154	2,485	334
April ..	11,539	7,537	9,528	2,933	2,717	689	26,609	8,416	35,025	8,111	2,498	1,104
May ..	15,131	11,190	9,187	3,267	2,793	998	32,763	9,904	42,667	8,251	2,385	1,363
June ..	19,574	16,089	9,632	4,042	3,417	1,336	42,479	11,775	54,254	8,536	2,356	1,116
1961-62—												
July ..	23,198	19,798	7,781	4,948	3,762	1,814	48,057	13,442	61,499	9,016	2,279	1,677
August ..	23,988	20,302	7,312	4,848	3,473	2,023	48,890	13,176	62,066	9,278	2,263	1,383
September ..	21,027	19,380	7,637	6,273	2,963	2,182	47,603	11,958	59,561	9,067	2,295	953
October ..	17,619	14,738	7,951	3,623	2,843	1,673	37,675	10,856	48,531	9,369	2,289	449
November ..	16,324	13,130	8,754	3,278	2,376	1,575	34,993	10,552	45,545	9,299	2,265	233
December ..	20,311	13,356	14,654	3,695	3,187	1,398	45,024	11,732	56,756	8,829	2,375	208
January ..	19,836	13,680	15,262	3,587	3,197	1,385	44,976	12,129	57,105	8,859	2,394	251
February ..	17,917	11,416	13,793	2,844	2,811	1,225	37,556	12,556	50,112	9,288	2,383	74
March ..	16,528	11,062	12,142	2,599	2,544	913	33,075	12,795	45,870	9,769	2,432	159
April ..	17,558	13,325	11,286	3,157	2,646	1,093	34,804	14,332	49,136	9,654	2,346	143
May ..	15,910	12,868	9,126	3,072	2,428	1,199	31,278	13,390	44,668	9,844	2,297	53
June ..	16,967	14,338	7,432	3,057	2,667	1,778	32,401	13,923	46,324	10,270	2,391	118
1962-63—												
July ..	17,243	13,931	6,605	2,876	2,789	1,937	31,834	13,619	45,453	10,494	2,372	62
August ..	16,690	12,790	5,925	2,648	2,511	2,018	30,028	12,619	42,647	10,579	2,387	165
September ..	14,926	10,517	5,329	2,105	2,091	1,827	25,764	11,087	36,851	10,950	2,428	47
October ..	13,589	8,934	5,548	2,035	2,051	1,588	23,554	10,242	33,796	11,106	2,511	125
November ..	13,050	7,504	5,767	1,816	2,059	1,580	21,763	10,070	31,833	10,910	2,574	233
December ..	17,150	7,796	11,603	2,153	2,945	1,432	31,493	11,660	43,153	9,707	2,383	304
January ..	16,893	8,059	13,188	2,299	3,315	1,186	32,895	12,114	45,009	9,911	2,564	187

(a) As furnished by the Department of Social Services.  
Capital Territory.

(b) In reception and training centres.

(c) Includes Australian

(d) Includes Northern Territory.

(e) Eight months only.

# VALUE OF RETAIL SALES IN AUSTRALIA(a): COMMODITY GROUPS

(Figures from 1952-53 inclusive are on a basis comparable with the 1956-57 Retail Census.)

The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the years 1952-53 and 1956-57 are derived from censuses taken in respect of those years, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(£ million.)

Period.	Gro- ceries. (b)	But- chers' Meat.	Other Food. (c)	Beer, Wine and Spirits.	Cloth- ing and Dra- pery.	Foot- wear.	Hard- ware. (d)	Electri- cal Goods. (e)	Furni- ture.	Chem- ists' Goods.	News- papers, Books and Stat- ionery.	Other Goods. (f)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehi- cles, etc.).	Motor Vehi- cles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(g)
<b>Quarterly</b>														
<b>Average—</b>														
1952-53 ..	65.3	31.9	51.6	43.3	76.5	12.2	28.0	19.0	18.2	12.7	13.3	52.7	424.7	104.9
1953-54 ..	68.7	33.5	55.9	46.7	96.9		30.7	22.8	20.2		84.1		459.5	123.5
1954-55 ..	75.5	36.7	61.6	51.1	104.8		33.9	24.8	21.6		92.1		502.1	142.9
1955-56 ..	82.2	39.7	67.3	55.5	108.3		36.0	26.1	23.0		99.6		537.7	153.3
1956-57 ..	86.0	42.5	70.7	59.4	95.2	14.8	36.1	28.3	23.1	19.2	17.3	69.4	562.0	157.9
1957-58 ..	89.6	42.7	73.6	62.0	112.8		36.3	34.4	24.4		109.7		585.5	171.2
1958-59 ..	94.3	44.7	78.5	61.3	101.2	16.2	39.4	39.9	25.0	23.8	18.7	70.4	613.4	186.2
1959-60 ..	101.0	48.4	85.9	64.9	111.0	18.2	42.3	48.8	29.2	26.3	20.3	76.5	672.8	223.7
1960-61 p ..	108.6	52.8	90.8	66.2	115.9	19.2	43.2	46.8	29.8	29.3	21.3	81.6	705.5	223.9
1961-62 p ..	112.6	52.8	94.4	66.5	116.3	19.3	43.1	46.2	29.3	31.6	22.4	80.6	715.1	219.5
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>														
<b>1960-61—</b>														
Sept. Qtr. ..	105.3	53.1	87.5	61.2	110.3	18.5	42.6	48.0	31.9	27.8	20.1	78.9	685.2	249.5
Dec. „ ..	114.6	53.0	96.0	73.5	135.4	22.1	49.9	53.4	34.9	32.2	24.4	94.9	784.3	248.6
Mar. „ ..	106.2	51.2	92.3	69.1	96.1	16.5	40.4	43.7	26.0	28.2	21.0	76.1	666.8	196.4
June „ p	108.2	53.7	87.3	61.0	121.9	19.8	39.9	42.0	26.5	29.2	19.8	76.3	685.6	201.1
<b>1961-62 p—</b>														
Sept. „ ..	112.5	53.5	90.7	60.9	108.6	18.5	40.9	42.1	28.9	30.0	20.7	77.3	684.6	202.1
Dec. „ ..	118.7	52.8	98.6	73.0	133.0	21.5	48.3	51.6	33.7	34.5	25.5	92.0	783.2	222.5
Mar. „ ..	107.0	52.1	95.4	68.8	97.9	16.5	41.3	44.5	26.2	30.3	22.4	74.3	676.7	219.4
June „ ..	112.1	52.8	93.1	63.2	125.7	20.7	42.0	46.4	28.6	31.6	20.8	78.8	715.8	233.9
<b>1962-63 p—</b>														
Sept. „ ..	114.4	53.9	93.1	63.3	111.5	19.0	42.6	47.2	30.0	32.3	21.0	78.8	707.1	260.8
Dec. „ ..	125.0		234.1				302.9				159.2		821.2	276.1
<b>Monthly Total—</b>														
<b>1962 p—</b>													(h)	
August ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	241.7	..
September ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	234.1	..
October ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	248.0	..
November ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	261.7	..
December ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	311.5	..
January ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	241.9	..

(a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials (e.g., timber, building sheets, tiles, joinery, cement). (e) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc. (g) Includes tractors, new and used motor vehicles, etc., but excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc. (h) For earlier monthly figures see page 2.

NOTE.—Figures from June quarter, 1961, are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by new businesses.

## INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include Hire Purchase, Time Payment, Budget Account, and Personal Loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

### AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	Amount Financed during Period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance).				Balances Outstanding at End of Period (including Hiring Charges, etc.).
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.	Total.	
HIRE PURCHASE.					
Quarterly Average—					r
1956-57 .. .. .	35,700	2,856	18,741	57,297	282,310
1958-59(a) .. .. .	46,303	4,122	28,717	79,142	423,904
1959-60 .. .. .	55,891	4,986	30,989	91,866	508,044
1960-61 .. .. .	47,798	5,674	r25,316	r78,788	506,879
1961-62 .. .. .	r43,034	5,257	20,973	69,264	472,163
Quarterly Total—					
1960-61—					
September Qtr. .. .. .	59,584	5,496	29,150	94,230	523,923
December „ .. .. .	58,665	7,916	29,157	95,738	550,033
March „ .. .. .	36,596	4,543	23,238	64,377	528,654
June „ .. .. .	36,349	4,741	r19,717	r60,807	506,879
1961-62—					
September „ .. .. .	r36,851	4,594	20,002	61,447	490,656
December „ .. .. .	r43,347	6,754	23,298	73,399	487,074
March „ .. .. .	r43,150	4,866	20,275	68,291	474,155
June „ .. .. .	r48,789	4,812	20,316	73,917	472,163
1962-63—					
September „ .. .. .	54,280	4,903	20,970	80,153	478,493
OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT.					
Quarterly Average—			r	r	
1956-57 .. .. .	64	35	9,076	9,175	22,607
1958-59(a) .. .. .	688	168	14,339	15,195	47,141
1959-60 .. .. .	2,360	119	17,816	20,295	68,311
1960-61 .. .. .	2,037	94	21,451	23,582	90,911
1961-62 .. .. .	r2,543	139	23,215	25,897	r108,724
Quarterly Total—					
1960-61—					
September Qtr. .. .. .	2,405	88	20,906	23,399	77,427
December „ .. .. .	2,994	147	28,143	31,284	90,097
March „ .. .. .	1,240	58	16,655	17,953	88,590
June „ .. .. .	1,510	82	20,100	21,692	90,911
1961-62—					r
September „ .. .. .	1,936	130	20,511	22,577	91,276
December „ .. .. .	2,472	120	28,023	30,615	101,428
March „ .. .. .	r2,636	129	19,194	21,959	102,603
June „ .. .. .	r3,127	177	25,132	28,436	108,724
1962-63—					
September „ .. .. .	4,096	83	23,484	27,663	111,062

(a) Figures for the year ended 30th June, 1958 are not available.



# **INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES—continued**

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING:  
AUSTRALIA—continued

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	Amount Financed during Period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance).				Balances Outstanding at End of Period (including Hiring Charges, etc.).			
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.	Total.				
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT.								
Quarterly Average—				r	r	r		
1956-57	..	..	..	35,765	2,890	27,817	66,472	304,917
1958-59(a)	..	..	..	46,990	4,290	43,057	94,337	471,045
1959-60	..	..	..	58,252	5,104	48,805	112,161	576,355
1960-61	..	..	..	49,835	5,768	46,767	102,370	597,790
1961-62	..	..	..	45,576	5,396	44,188	95,160	580,887
Quarterly Total—								
1960-61—								
June	Qtr.	..	..	37,859	4,823	39,817	82,499	597,790
1961-62—				r	r			
September	„	..	..	38,787	4,724	40,513	84,024	581,932
December	„	..	..	45,819	6,874	51,321	104,014	588,502
March	„	..	..	45,786	4,995	39,469	90,250	576,758
June	„	..	..	51,916	4,989	45,448	102,353	580,887
1962-63—								
September	„	..	..	58,376	4,986	44,454	107,816	589,555

(a) Figures for the year ended 30th June, 1958 are not available.

**BALANCES OUTSTANDING (INCLUDING INTEREST, HIRING CHARGES AND INSURANCE):  
STATES**

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.)

At—	New South Wales.(a)	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.(b)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
<b>HIRE PURCHASE. r</b>							
30th June, 1961 ..	200,349	136,817	68,058	50,238	38,050	13,367	506,879
30th September, 1961 ..	195,378	130,878	66,509	47,226	37,467	13,198	490,656
31st December, 1961 ..	194,425	128,969	65,629	45,914	38,613	13,524	487,074
31st March, 1962 ..	190,585	125,349	63,948	43,987	36,917	13,369	474,155
30th June, 1962 ..	190,768	122,991	64,157	42,386	38,052	13,809	472,163
30th September, 1962 ..	192,730	123,796	65,455	42,279	39,583	14,650	478,493
<b>OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT. r</b>							
30th June, 1961 ..	36,872	25,746	8,850	9,749	5,982	3,712	90,911
30th September, 1961 ..	37,806	24,277	9,112	9,929	6,358	3,794	91,276
31st December, 1961 ..	41,807	27,217	10,173	11,117	7,006	4,108	101,428
31st March, 1962 ..	41,633	27,537	10,323	11,645	7,435	4,030	102,603
30th June, 1962 ..	43,872	29,055	11,132	12,398	8,193	4,074	108,724
30th September, 1962 ..	43,956	29,571	11,521	13,258	8,582	4,174	111,062
<b>TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT. r</b>							
30th June, 1961 ..	237,221	162,563	76,908	59,987	44,032	17,079	597,790
30th September, 1961 ..	233,184	155,155	75,621	57,155	43,825	16,992	581,932
31st December, 1961 ..	236,232	156,186	75,802	57,031	45,619	17,632	588,502
31st March, 1962 ..	232,218	152,886	74,271	55,632	44,352	17,399	576,758
30th June, 1962 ..	234,640	152,046	75,289	54,784	46,245	17,883	580,887
30th September, 1962 ..	236,686	153,367	76,976	55,537	48,165	18,824	589,555

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

# INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES—*continued*

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES

OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

(NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	Amount Financed during Period.(a)					Collections during Period.(b)	Balances Outstanding at End of Period.(b)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.	Total.		
	New.	Used.					
Monthly Average—							r
1955-56 .. ..	10,113		772	2,948	13,833	(c)	201,612
1956-57 .. ..	11,125		825	2,880	14,830	(c)	221,762
1957-58 .. ..	12,969		897	4,783	18,649	(c)	280,539
1958-59 .. ..	14,662		1,229	5,092	20,983	(c)	336,344
1959-60 .. ..	18,053		1,463	5,360	24,876	26,346	403,160
1960-61—r .. ..	15,486		1,677	4,265	21,428	28,273	396,775
1961-62—r .. ..	7,332   7,034		1,592	3,287	19,245	26,745	372,129
Monthly Total—							
1960-61—							r
November .. ..	21,969		2,746	5,102	29,817	29,209	434,499
December .. ..	15,493		1,966	4,966	22,425	26,056	437,940
January .. ..	11,939		1,355	4,327	17,621	26,689	434,008
February .. ..	10,325		1,163	3,616	15,104	28,127	425,088
March .. ..	13,076		1,482	3,579	18,137	30,071	416,566
April .. ..	11,754		1,400	3,038	16,192	27,235	410,444
May .. ..	12,567		1,496	3,450	17,513	29,377	404,692
June .. ..	11,051		1,294	3,168	15,513	27,688	396,775
1961-62—r							
July .. ..	5,472	5,484	1,266	2,788	15,010	26,662	390,533
August .. ..	6,516	6,107	1,417	3,104	17,144	27,270	385,788
September .. ..	6,423	6,037	1,434	3,021	16,915	25,333	382,989
October .. ..	7,646	6,767	2,122	3,592	20,127	27,378	380,188
November .. ..	7,899	7,052	2,457	3,644	21,052	27,103	380,181
December .. ..	7,268	6,627	1,509	3,703	19,107	24,305	380,169
January .. ..	6,696	7,219	1,378	3,407	18,700	27,248	377,297
February .. ..	6,960	6,627	1,452	2,927	17,966	27,515	372,923
March .. ..	8,194	7,873	1,669	3,266	21,002	29,160	370,344
April .. ..	7,086	7,258	1,366	2,973	18,683	24,361	369,551
May .. ..	8,936	8,709	1,601	3,664	22,910	28,706	369,827
June .. ..	8,889	8,657	1,427	3,349	22,322	25,897	372,129
1962-63—r							
July .. ..	9,408	9,714	1,393	3,376	23,891	27,039	376,281
August .. ..	9,213	10,357	1,689	3,482	24,741	27,101	377,771
September .. ..	8,201	8,897	1,345	3,098	21,541	23,936	382,077
October(e) .. ..	20,300		2,500	3,500	26,300	28,400	388,400
November(e) .. ..	19,800		2,800	3,600	26,200	26,900	395,400
December(e) .. ..	16,800		2,000	3,800	22,600	24,100	(d)401,100

(a) Excludes hiring charges, interest and insurance.  
available.  
thousand.

(b) Includes hiring charges, interest and insurance.

(c) Not

(d) Provisional estimate 31st January, £m.403.0.

(e) Preliminary estimates to the nearest hundred

# WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports, are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain, but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(£ million.)

Period.								Net Sales Recorded.		
								Taxable Goods.	Exempt Goods.	Total.
Monthly Average—										
1952-53	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	46.3	111.8	158.1
1953-54	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	57.3	122.2	179.5
1954-55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	63.9	141.6	205.5
1955-56	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	66.5	154.8	221.3
1956-57	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	65.1	168.1	233.2
1957-58	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70.8	175.5	246.3
1958-59	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	74.2	179.3	253.5
1959-60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	85.0	196.2	281.2
1960-61	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	86.7	203.9	290.6
1961-62	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	87.5	201.3	288.8
Taxable Net Sales at each Rate of Tax.										

(a) Preliminary and partly estimated.

NOTE —During 1960-61 taxable sales at the rate of 40 per cent. amounted to £31.4 million.

# IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASSES

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Producers' Materials for use in—										Fuels and Lubricants.(d)		Auxiliary Aids to Production. (e)		Munitions and War Stores.	
	Building and Construction.		Rural Industries.		Manufacturing.				Total. (c)							
					Motor Vehicle Assembly.ab		Other. (c)									
	Class I. A.		Class I. B.		Class I. c (5).		Class I. c (1-4).		Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class VII.	
Monthly Average—				%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1952-53 ..	1,482	3.5	368	0.9	} (f)	} (f)	14,228	33.4	16,078	37.8	5,313	12.5	1,951	4.6	755	1.8
1953-54 ..	1,946	3.4	441	0.8			19,548	34.6	21,935	38.8	5,633	10.0	1,995	3.5	351	0.6
1954-55 ..	3,044	4.3	517	0.7			25,691	36.7	29,252	41.7	4,790	6.9	2,503	3.6	728	0.9
1955-56 ..	2,567	3.8	550	0.8	5,672	8.3	25,665	37.7	34,454	50.6	3,889	5.7	2,357	3.4	1,071	1.6
1956-57 ..	2,062	3.5	562	0.9	4,300	7.2	24,723	41.4	31,647	53.0	2,343	3.9	2,191	3.7	745	1.2
1957-58 ..	1,928	2.9	738	1.1	4,751	7.2	27,115	41.3	34,532	52.5	2,026	3.1	2,223	3.4	676	1.0
1958-59 ..	1,899	2.9	670	1.0	5,177	7.8	26,692	40.3	34,438	52.0	2,268	3.5	2,204	3.3	721	1.1
1959-60 ..	2,689	3.5	669	0.9	6,592	8.5	30,580	39.7	40,530	52.6	2,178	2.8	2,425	3.2	1,035	1.3
1960-61 ..	3,433	3.8	978	1.1	7,142	7.9	36,899	40.8	48,452	53.6	2,222	2.4	3,212	3.6	651	0.7
1961-62 ..	2,279	3.1	1,022	1.4	4,062	5.5	28,857	39.3	36,220	49.3	2,140	2.9	2,582	3.5	796	1.1
Monthly Total 1960-61—																
December	3,506	3.8	617	0.7	7,451	8.1	35,509	38.8	47,083	51.4	1,796	2.0	3,840	4.2	550	0.6
January ..	3,257	3.3	834	0.8	8,560	8.6	39,196	39.2	51,847	51.9	3,233	3.3	2,937	3.0	1,234	1.2
February ..	2,888	3.0	914	1.0	8,152	8.6	39,484	41.6	51,438	54.2	1,385	1.5	4,002	4.2	336	0.4
March ..	3,051	3.4	930	1.1	7,871	8.8	34,090	38.1	45,942	51.4	1,775	2.0	3,468	3.9	401	0.4
April ..	2,286	2.6	775	0.9	7,637	8.8	33,959	39.2	44,657	51.5	3,219	3.7	2,637	3.1	349	0.4
May ..	2,444	3.1	1,078	1.4	5,631	7.1	32,129	40.8	41,282	52.4	1,706	2.2	2,607	3.3	653	0.8
June ..	2,254	3.0	1,466	2.0	3,782	5.1	30,153	40.4	37,655	50.5	2,109	2.8	1,929	2.6	779	1.1
1961-62—																
July ..	1,664	2.4	1,197	1.7	3,515	5.0	26,985	38.7	33,361	47.8	2,372	3.4	2,865	4.1	522	0.8
August ..	1,969	2.7	925	1.3	4,239	5.8	27,611	37.8	34,744	47.6	1,776	2.4	2,720	3.7	1,414	2.0
September	1,827	2.7	1,389	2.1	2,259	3.4	26,244	39.5	31,719	47.7	2,557	3.8	2,400	3.6	922	1.3
October ..	2,084	3.0	1,248	1.8	2,353	3.4	26,317	38.5	32,002	46.7	1,471	2.1	3,431	5.0	1,147	1.7
November	2,016	2.9	844	1.2	2,517	3.6	27,318	39.0	32,695	46.7	1,974	2.8	3,247	4.7	478	0.7
December	1,955	3.2	832	1.3	2,523	4.1	26,282	42.4	31,592	51.0	918	1.5	1,834	3.0	395	0.6
January ..	2,616	3.2	962	1.1	3,780	4.6	33,280	40.6	40,638	49.5	2,512	3.1	2,791	3.4	988	1.2
February ..	2,150	3.1	921	1.3	3,897	5.6	27,641	40.0	34,609	50.0	2,543	3.7	1,861	2.7	644	0.9
March ..	2,786	3.6	850	1.1	5,750	7.4	29,055	37.6	38,441	49.7	2,397	3.1	2,385	3.0	694	0.9
April ..	2,165	3.0	901	1.3	4,633	6.5	27,167	38.2	34,866	49.0	1,712	2.4	2,172	3.1	684	1.0
May ..	3,260	3.6	1,073	1.2	6,849	7.5	35,448	39.1	46,630	51.4	3,186	3.5	2,442	2.7	1,053	1.1
June ..	2,862	3.5	1,118	1.4	6,431	7.9	32,929	40.3	43,340	53.1	2,270	2.8	2,745	3.4	620	0.8
1962-63 p—																
July ..	2,920	3.3	936	1.0	7,022	7.9	34,196	38.4	45,074	50.6	2,876	3.2	2,962	3.3	516	0.6
August ..	3,188	3.3	1,243	1.3	9,480	9.7	35,513	36.4	49,424	50.7	2,865	2.9	3,101	3.2	336	0.4
September	2,894	3.3	1,523	1.7	7,410	8.5	33,869	38.7	45,696	52.2	1,566	1.8	2,313	2.6	518	0.6
October ..	2,830	3.0	981	1.0	8,255	8.8	35,543	38.0	47,609	50.8	2,870	3.1	4,105	4.4	249	0.3
November	3,164	3.3	797	0.9	7,682	8.1	37,500	39.4	49,143	51.7	3,050	3.2	2,815	3.0	1,166	1.2
December	1,886	2.5	806	1.1	5,870	7.8	28,818	38.6	37,380	50.0	1,487	2.0	2,442	3.3	341	0.4
January ..	2,851	2.8	830	0.8	7,981	7.7	40,010	38.7	51,672	50.0	3,321	3.2	3,513	3.4	165	0.2

(a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold at retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in Classes VI. E-J and III. respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in Class I. c. (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping, see note (c). (f) Included in Class V.b. (g) Prior to July, 1955, excludes completely knocked down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts which since July, 1955, have been recorded in Class I. c. (5).

# IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASSES—*continued*

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Capital Equipment.						Finished Consumer Goods.							
	Producers' Equipment.		Transport Equipment.				Food, Beverages and Tobacco.		Clothing and Accessories.		All Other. (a)		Total. (a)	
			Complete Road Vehicles and Assembled Chassis.		Railway Equipment, Vessels and Civil Aircraft.									
	Class IV.		Class V. B.		Class V. A, C, D.		Class VI. A, B, C.		Class VI. D.		Class VI. E-J.		Class VI.	
Monthly Average—		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
1952-53 ..	8,409	19.8	3,569	8.3	1,703	4.0	1,917	4.5	130	0.3	2,704	6.4	4,751	11.2
1953-54 ..	9,474	16.8	5,679	10.2	1,552	2.7	2,658	4.7	446	0.8	6,736	11.9	9,840	17.4
1954-55 ..	10,289	14.8	7,377	10.5	1,824	2.6	3,236	4.6	614	0.9	9,468	13.5	13,318	19.0
1955-56 ..	11,174	16.4	(b) 1,784	2.6	1,841	2.7	2,276	3.3	491	0.7	8,854	13.0	11,621	17.0
1956-57 ..	10,132	16.9	958	1.6	1,616	2.8	2,388	4.0	281	0.5	7,422	12.4	10,091	16.9
1957-58 ..	12,040	18.3	1,047	1.6	1,353	2.1	2,523	3.8	429	0.6	8,923	13.6	11,875	18.0
1958-59 ..	11,613	17.5	951	1.4	2,220	3.4	2,699	4.1	397	0.6	8,695	13.1	11,791	17.8
1959-60 ..	13,830	17.9	1,063	1.4	2,453	3.2	3,058	4.0	465	0.6	10,016	13.0	13,539	17.6
1960-61 ..	16,534	18.3	1,438	1.6	1,715	1.9	3,470	3.8	650	0.7	12,100	13.4	16,220	17.9
1961-62 ..	14,165	19.3	1,035	1.4	1,575	2.1	3,302	4.5	527	0.7	11,208	15.2	15,037	20.4
Monthly Total—														
1960-61—														
December	18,075	19.7	2,088	2.3	1,499	1.6	3,296	3.6	567	0.6	12,801	14.0	16,664	18.2
January ..	19,218	19.3	1,724	1.7	2,102	2.1	4,087	4.1	836	0.8	12,557	12.6	17,480	17.5
February	18,164	19.2	1,618	1.7	1,654	1.7	3,214	3.4	1,026	1.1	11,968	12.6	16,208	17.1
March ..	17,778	19.9	1,530	1.7	1,263	1.4	4,045	4.5	961	1.1	12,233	13.7	17,239	19.3
April ..	16,595	19.1	1,101	1.3	2,353	2.7	3,599	4.1	686	0.8	11,543	13.3	15,828	18.2
May ..	15,094	19.1	1,116	1.4	1,697	2.2	3,299	4.2	421	0.5	11,016	13.9	14,736	18.6
June ..	15,282	20.5	809	1.1	1,576	2.1	3,016	4.0	376	0.5	11,045	14.8	14,437	19.3
1961-62—														
July ..	13,907	19.9	769	1.1	2,182	3.1	2,842	4.1	582	0.8	10,361	14.9	13,785	19.8
August ..	13,756	18.9	824	1.1	2,481	3.4	3,387	4.6	637	0.9	11,251	15.4	15,275	20.9
September	12,081	18.0	870	1.3	1,006	1.5	3,405	5.1	565	0.8	11,325	16.9	15,295	22.8
October ..	12,514	18.2	921	1.3	1,652	2.4	3,932	5.7	324	0.5	11,264	16.4	15,520	22.6
November	14,092	20.1	970	1.4	2,112	3.0	3,195	4.6	366	0.5	10,867	15.5	14,428	20.6
December	11,454	18.5	639	1.1	1,560	2.5	3,168	5.1	348	0.6	9,986	16.1	13,502	21.8
January ..	15,480	18.9	1,213	1.5	1,820	2.2	3,782	4.6	704	0.8	12,113	14.8	16,599	20.2
February	13,382	19.4	970	1.4	963	1.4	2,758	4.0	629	0.9	10,818	15.6	14,205	20.5
March ..	15,684	20.2	1,758	2.3	1,120	1.4	3,519	4.5	667	0.9	10,887	14.0	15,073	19.4
April ..	13,693	19.2	1,045	1.5	1,643	2.3	3,368	4.7	546	0.8	11,397	16.0	15,311	21.5
May ..	17,810	19.6	1,275	1.4	1,329	1.5	3,544	3.9	461	0.5	13,085	14.4	17,090	18.8
June ..	16,134	19.7	1,167	1.4	1,040	1.3	2,730	3.3	490	0.6	11,150	13.6	14,370	17.5
1962-63 p—														
July ..	17,002	19.1	1,510	1.7	1,763	2.0	3,176	3.6	628	0.7	13,529	15.2	17,333	19.5
August	19,421	19.9	2,040	2.1	1,795	1.8	2,760	2.8	747	0.8	15,005	15.4	18,512	19.0
September	17,296	19.7	1,583	1.8	1,105	1.3	3,332	3.8	647	0.7	13,512	15.5	17,491	20.0
October ..	17,497	18.7	1,642	1.7	1,198	1.3	3,312	3.5	491	0.5	14,650	15.7	18,453	19.7
November	17,028	17.9	1,786	1.9	1,469	1.5	4,201	4.4	429	0.5	14,021	14.7	18,651	19.6
December	15,214	20.4	1,648	2.2	1,641	2.2	3,138	4.2	420	0.6	11,016	14.7	14,574	19.5
January ..	20,458	19.8	2,357	2.3	1,829	1.7	4,331	4.2	694	0.7	15,071	14.5	20,096	19.4

(a) Includes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold at retail, see note (c), page 16. (b) Prior to July, 1955, includes completely knocked down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts which since July, 1955, have been recorded in Class I. c (5).



# IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Producers' Materials. (Class I.)(a)			Finished Consumer Goods. (Class VI.)(b)			Total Imports of Merchandise. (All Classes.)			
	Crude.	Simply transformed.	Elaborately transformed.	Crude.	Simply transformed.	Elaborately transformed.	Crude.	Simply transformed.	Elaborately transformed.	Total.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>										
1952-53 .. ..	4,712	2,195	9,171	251	1,182	3,318	4,963	9,443	28,123	42,529
1953-54 .. ..	6,260	3,189	12,486	385	1,471	7,984	6,645	11,384	38,520	56,549
1954-55 .. ..	8,818	4,986	15,448	428	2,082	10,808	9,246	13,167	47,668	70,081
1955-56 .. ..	10,095	4,557	19,802	423	1,191	10,007	10,518	10,913	46,760	68,191
1956-57 .. ..	10,650	4,741	16,256	497	1,450	8,144	11,147	9,623	38,953	59,723
1957-58 .. ..	11,563	5,501	17,468	600	1,359	9,916	12,163	10,089	43,520	65,772
1958-59 .. ..	11,628	4,954	17,856	565	1,550	9,676	12,193	9,961	44,052	66,206
1959-60 .. ..	12,834	6,031	21,674	696	1,537	11,306	13,530	11,131	52,392	77,053
1960-61 .. ..	13,395	7,377	27,689	785	1,571	13,847	14,180	12,783	63,481	90,444
1961-62 .. ..	11,704	5,587	18,970	733	1,508	12,797	12,437	10,494	50,615	73,546
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
1960-61—										
December .. ..	11,190	7,516	28,370	549	1,322	14,793	11,739	12,293	67,563	91,595
January .. ..	13,932	6,694	31,022	599	1,859	15,022	14,531	13,561	71,683	99,775
February .. ..	13,566	8,502	29,352	776	1,308	14,124	14,342	12,863	67,600	94,805
March .. ..	10,988	7,010	27,913	982	1,672	14,585	11,970	12,140	65,286	89,396
April .. ..	12,791	7,213	24,743	849	1,597	13,382	13,640	13,552	59,547	86,739
May .. ..	13,172	5,598	22,554	1,039	1,372	12,325	14,211	10,014	54,666	78,891
June .. ..	13,026	5,216	19,430	840	1,515	12,082	13,866	10,074	50,636	74,576
1961-62—										
July .. ..	10,456	4,501	18,386	797	1,430	11,558	11,253	9,467	49,043	69,763
August .. ..	11,404	4,411	18,890	819	1,865	12,591	12,223	9,360	51,407	72,990
September .. ..	12,773	4,765	14,468	814	1,655	12,826	13,587	10,100	43,163	66,850
October .. ..	11,936	4,599	15,527	841	1,474	13,205	12,777	8,714	47,167	68,658
November .. ..	10,694	4,751	17,257	583	1,294	12,551	11,277	9,199	49,520	69,996
December .. ..	10,680	4,733	16,108	544	1,694	11,264	11,224	8,366	42,304	61,894
January .. ..	11,633	6,823	22,191	795	1,515	14,289	12,428	12,224	57,389	82,041
February .. ..	11,361	5,588	17,636	546	1,168	12,491	11,907	10,452	46,818	69,177
March .. ..	11,725	5,809	21,079	670	1,517	12,886	12,395	11,070	54,087	77,552
April .. ..	10,065	5,927	18,912	757	1,333	13,221	10,822	10,230	50,074	71,126
May .. ..	13,231	8,130	25,353	1,020	1,609	14,461	14,251	14,534	62,030	90,815
June .. ..	14,498	7,004	21,838	607	1,537	12,226	15,105	12,216	54,363	81,684
1962-63 p—										
July .. ..	7,889	12,465	24,720	598	1,774	14,961	8,487	18,687	61,862	89,036
August .. ..	8,026	13,185	28,213	759	1,177	16,576	8,785	19,027	69,682	97,494
September .. ..	7,764	13,354	24,578	673	1,661	15,157	8,437	18,198	60,933	87,568
October .. ..	7,976	12,527	27,106	678	1,548	16,227	8,654	18,704	66,265	93,623
November .. ..	6,732	16,248	26,163	1,054	1,531	16,066	7,786	22,465	64,857	95,108
December .. ..	6,059	10,890	20,431	687	1,222	12,665	6,746	14,890	53,091	74,727
January .. ..	7,974	14,566	29,123	825	1,945	17,326	8,799	21,648	72,964	103,411
February .. ..										78,600

(a) See note (c), page 16. (b) See note (a), page 17. (c) See note (g), page 16.

NOTE.—Class II. consists entirely of goods “simply transformed”, and Classes IV., V. and VII. entirely of goods “more elaborately transformed”. Class III. is about equally divided between goods “simply” and “more elaborately transformed”.

# EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Meats.	Butter.	Wheat and Flour.	Fresh Fruits.	Dried Fruits.	Sugar and Sugar Syrups.	Hides and Skins.	Wool.	Lead.	Total Exports of Merchandise.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>										
1952-53 .. ..	5,481	1,675	7,449	791	669	1,805	1,677	33,576	2,116	70,708
1953-54 .. ..	4,817	1,338	5,053	782	616	2,639	1,620	34,202	2,004	67,655
1954-55 .. ..	5,291	2,049	5,461	731	703	2,604	1,642	29,426	2,070	63,170
1955-56 .. ..	5,039	2,414	5,513	762	650	2,070	1,740	28,127	2,106	64,236
1956-57 .. ..	4,250	2,152	6,811	715	549	2,407	2,022	40,310	2,684	81,083
1957-58 .. ..	4,602	1,303	3,570	1,089	762	2,919	2,116	31,116	1,829	67,525
1958-59 .. ..	8,100	2,079	4,309	785	1,062	2,687	1,964	25,187	1,580	67,226
1959-60 .. ..	7,386	2,387	6,402	775	756	2,228	2,648	32,180	1,358	77,163
1960-61 .. ..	6,022	1,638	10,117	864	758	2,930	2,266	27,871	1,361	77,337
1961-62 .. ..	7,472	1,962	13,384	1,114	863	2,828	2,679	31,044	1,575	88,990
<b>Monthly Total—</b>										
<b>1960-61—</b>										
December .. ..	5,981	2,683	6,634	70	903	3,275	2,196	34,720	788	77,145
January .. ..	4,809	3,471	9,187	39	194	2,463	1,851	33,033	1,062	76,549
February .. ..	5,860	2,929	11,020	160	64	1,475	2,152	28,675	1,615	79,080
March .. ..	6,257	1,592	15,528	851	145	3,033	2,340	32,527	1,501	86,415
April .. ..	4,335	720	14,424	2,606	628	2,441	1,850	28,590	1,190	81,359
May .. ..	5,998	517	15,563	3,519	1,233	2,441	2,754	28,774	1,079	92,641
June .. ..	7,977	929	13,675	2,216	2,003	3,165	2,671	30,982	1,412	97,315
<b>1961-62 —</b>										
July .. ..	7,077	799	15,466	445	1,113	2,854	2,748	27,939	1,395	85,870
August .. ..	7,939	1,251	14,594	296	1,893	2,707	3,050	18,053	1,071	77,070
September .. ..	7,095	2,109	15,825	129	1,257	7,137	2,714	18,092	1,088	81,173
October .. ..	8,769	1,785	13,399	184	931	2,517	3,050	36,677	2,033	95,604
November .. ..	7,974	4,734	11,929	210	152	2,014	3,101	43,593	1,121	100,908
December .. ..	7,260	2,834	6,473	87	271	3,304	2,304	37,059	1,546	82,966
January .. ..	8,130	3,102	15,439	110	152	1,887	2,153	38,150	1,249	94,960
February .. ..	7,255	1,503	12,793	257	304	875	2,404	32,053	1,909	85,902
March .. ..	7,618	1,010	10,992	1,824	588	3,131	2,401	33,591	1,729	89,188
April .. ..	5,837	1,356	11,626	3,084	867	2,595	2,422	32,015	1,517	86,289
May .. ..	6,997	1,876	18,511	4,232	2,081	2,085	2,908	28,358	1,746	100,853
June .. ..	7,712	1,179	13,570	2,512	746	2,823	2,896	26,944	2,503	87,102
<b>1962-63 p—</b>										
July .. ..	10,014	r666	13,374	522	725	2,509	2,999	25,659	1,719	79,843
August .. ..	10,222	r995	7,615	206	1,508	6,657	3,424	16,472	1,113	73,749
September .. ..	9,927	2,306	5,834	104	1,684	6,880	3,231	21,610	1,659	74,094
October .. ..	10,098	1,495	4,958	324	1,323	3,981	3,617	34,037	1,375	87,388
November .. ..	12,618	3,329	7,891	218	432	3,689	3,460	43,624	1,434	102,555
December .. ..	8,360	2,747	4,346	153	464	4,912	2,418	37,773	1,493	87,369
January .. ..	10,864	5,499	9,574	107	194	1,376	3,010	38,481	1,212	96,351
February .. ..										90,500

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60 = 100. This current Export Price Index was first published for August, 1962, and has been compiled for each month from July, 1959. It replaced the previous Export Price Index which was published on the reference base: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.

A full description of the current index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Statistical Bulletin S.B. 134 of 8th October, 1962. Index numbers of the previous Export Price Index, converted to the base: Year 1959-60 = 100 are set out on page 21.

(Base of each Index: Year 1959-60 = 100.)

Period.	Wool.	Meats.	Dairy Produce.	Cereals.	Dried and Canned Fruits.	Sugar.	Hides and Tallow.	Metals and Coal.	Gold.	All Groups.
<b>1959-60 .. ..</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1960-61 .. ..	92	104	82	99	99	101	92	97	100	95
1961-62 .. ..	97	100	81	106	p95	91	84	91	100	p96
<b>1959-60—</b>										
December .. ..	103	96	112	100	102	103	96	101	100	102
January .. ..	103	101	108	100	98	99	96	102	100	102
February .. ..	98	106	98	99	96	98	96	101	100	99
March .. ..	98	104	91	99	98	100	94	101	100	98
April .. ..	101	107	85	100	99	99	91	103	100	100
May .. ..	98	104	85	99	97	101	91	102	100	98
June .. ..	98	105	86	100	95	99	91	101	100	98
<b>1960-61—</b>										
July .. ..	92	105	89	99	96	98	88	100	100	95
August .. ..	85	103	86	98	96	99	88	99	100	91
September .. ..	86	102	82	102	98	102	95	98	100	92
October .. ..	85	101	85	102	98	103	97	97	101	92
November .. ..	89	98	84	100	99	98	96	97	101	93
December .. ..	88	99	83	99	99	99	92	95	101	92
January .. ..	89	100	82	98	99	97	92	95	101	92
February .. ..	92	108	80	98	100	98	92	95	101	95
March .. ..	94	110	78	98	100	98	96	96	100	96
April .. ..	101	109	78	99	98	101	94	95	100	99
May .. ..	101	107	78	99	101	100	90	97	100	99
June .. ..	99	108	78	99	101	117	88	95	100	99
<b>1961-62—</b>										
July .. ..	(a) 99	101	78	100	100	110	90	93	100	98
August .. ..	99	101	78	101	98	102	92	93	101	98
September .. ..	98	100	78	101	98	94	90	91	100	96
October .. ..	94	103	77	102	96	90	86	90	100	94
November .. ..	92	100	79	102	95	87	83	91	100	93
December .. ..	92	99	84	105	96	89	83	91	100	94
January .. ..	92	101	83	107	95	87	83	90	100	94
February .. ..	98	101	83	108	93	82	82	91	100	97
March .. ..	99	97	83	107	93	84	81	91	100	97
April .. ..	99	97	82	111	93	90	81	90	100	98
May .. ..	99	97	82	112	p93	85	79	90	100	p98
June .. ..	99	97	86	112	p92	87	78	90	100	p98
<b>1962-63—</b>					p					p
July .. ..	98	99	85	112	90	86	76	89	100	97
August .. ..	92	101	85	112	91	88	75	86	100	94
September .. ..	92	102	85	111	91	86	74	87	100	94
October .. ..	96	102	85	109	91	92	74	86	100	96
November .. ..	98	102	88	110	91	91	74	88	100	97
December .. ..	p101	p101	88	105	91	94	74	p89	100	99
January .. ..	p112	p101	p88	105	91	p93	p73	p88	p100	104

(a) Nominal.

# EXPORT PRICE INDEX

PREVIOUS EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS CONVERTED TO BASE: YEAR 1959-60 = 100

(See notes at top of page 20.)

Year.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter.	Metals.	Meats.	Sugar.	Dried Fruits.	Tallow.	Hides.	All Groups Excl. Gold.	Gold.	All Groups.
1950-51 ..	235	130	86	161	48	91	65	118	206	176	99	173
1951-52 ..	133	131	92	189	61	103	87	149	133	126	103	125
1952-53 ..	145	134	99	118	73	111	85	119	101	128	104	128
1953-54 ..	145	123	103	105	78	106	82	106	92	126	101	125
1954-55 ..	127	107	99	119	80	98	77	116	60	115	100	114
1955-56 ..	109	97	102	131	82	100	82	117	65	105	100	105
1956-57 ..	136	98	79	127	85	111	91	118	66	118	100	117
1957-58 ..	111	107	69	93	77	115	98	122	66	102	100	102
1958-59 ..	85	105	73	90	91	105	110	122	92	89	100	90
1959-60 ..	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX AND INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

Period.	Export Price Index (a) (Base: Year 1959-60 = 100).		Indexes of Values of Exports and Imports at Constant Prices (b) (Base: Year 1955-56 = 100).					
	All Groups Excl. Gold.	All Groups.	Exports.(c)					Imports.(c)
			Foodstuffs.	Wool and Sheepskins.	Minerals, Metals and Metal Manufactures.(d)	Other Exports.	All Exports.	All Groups.
1955-56 ..	105	105	100	100	100	100	100	100
1956-57 ..	118	117	102	113	151	109	113	86
1957-58 ..	102	102	82	103	143	117	101	93
1958-59 ..	89	90	106	113	145	120	115	94
1959-60 ..	100	100	108	124	152	129	122	110
1960-61 ..	94	95	120	120	175	152	129	130
1961-62 ..	p 96	p 96	143	126	214	168	145	p 105
1961-62—								p
October ..	94	94	130	157	212	170	155	95
November	93	93						
December	94	94						
January	94	94	136	139	214	162	148	110
February	97	97						
March ..	97	97						
April ..	98	98	157	118	228	177	149	116
May ..	p 98	p 98						
June ..	p 98	p 98						
1962-63 p—								
July ..	97	97	136	93	183	171	124	132
August ..	94	94						
September	94	94						
October ..	96	96	118	154	217	195	152	126
November	97	97						
December	98	99						
January ..	104	104						

(a) New index linked to previous index at year 1959-60.

(b) These indexes are calculated largely by a direct revaluation at base year prices of quantities of goods exported and imported, or, where this is impracticable, by dividing values by appropriate price indexes. See next half-yearly issue of "The Australian Balance of Payments" for full description.

(c) Excludes gold.

(d) Excludes machinery.

# WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants. With a few important exceptions they are from Melbourne sources. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Index: Average of three years ended June, 1939=100.)

Period.	Basic Materials.							Basic Materials & Foodstuffs.			
	Metals and Coal. (a)	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.	Food-stuffs and Tobacco. (b)	Goods principally Imported (c)	Goods principally Home Produced (b)	Total All Groups. (b)
1952-53 ..	392	234	607	350	224	404	350	293	292	331	319
1953-54 ..	388	222	566	323	191	363	332	308	271	339	319
1954-55 ..	391	214	510	314	246	372	330	315	277	340	322
1955-56 ..	404	220	456	317	328	415	345	325	292	352	334
1956-57 ..	409	241	520	344	302	463	367	324	311	357	344
1957-58 ..	398	238	437	349	280	453	355	325	301	355	339
1958-59 ..	392	231	362	327	293	423	340	332	283	358	336
1959-60 ..	395	225	403	331	379	431	347	348	281	375	348
1960-61 ..	399	222	387	331	341	439	346	372	278	394	360
1961-62 ..	392	212	400	333	302	439	340	332	270	363	336
1960-61—											
December	400	221	376	329	342	439	345	363	280	386	355
January ..	399	219	380	332	323	439	344	359	278	384	352
February ..	397	219	389	332	322	438	344	362	276	386	354
March ..	397	220	395	332	324	438	345	367	276	391	357
April ..	395	221	413	332	325	439	346	371	277	394	359
May ..	395	221	413	332	318	439	345	365	277	389	356
June ..	393	218	408	332	303	439	342	362	274	386	353
1961-62—											
July ..	393	217	407	333	307	439	343	350	275	377	347
August ..	393	217	407	333	322	439	343	342	274	371	343
September ..	393	214	402	333	329	439	342	335	272	366	338
October ..	393	212	391	333	314	439	340	324	271	357	332
November	393	211	385	333	297	439	339	322	272	354	330
December	393	211	385	333	286	439	339	326	270	358	332
January ..	393	211	386	333	292	439	339	329	268	361	334
February ..	390	211	402	333	288	439	339	329	267	362	334
March ..	390	211	410	334	297	439	340	328	269	360	333
April ..	390	211	410	334	304	439	340	327	267	361	333
May ..	392	211	410	334	299	439	340	330	271	361	334
June ..	389	211	410	333	293	439	339	337	269	367	338
1962-63—											
July ..	389	211	405	317	290	439	337	342	269	370	340
August ..	387	211	390	317	284	439	335	346	270	371	341
September ..	389	210	390	317	281	439	336	342	270	367	339
October ..	389	210	400	317	274	439	336	342	272	367	339
November ..	387	208	405	317	268	439	334	337	272	363	336
December ..	387	208	p 420	317	267	439	p 335	340	272	p 365	p 338
January ..	387	208	p 458	317	259	439	p 337	p 343	p 274	p 368	p 340

(a) Special purpose index for the "Metals and Coal" group excluding Coal and Briquettes for January, 1963, is 431. (b) During 1956 these indexes were reconstructed from the base period by excluding potatoes and onions. For January, 1963, index numbers for these groups comparable with the previous indexes including potatoes and onions are: "Foodstuffs and Tobacco", p 338; "Goods Principally Home Produced", p 364; "Total All Groups", p 338. (c) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index and does not measure changes in prices of all imports.



## PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -95-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period. A line between two index numbers indicates that it is not possible to link two series (because of change in scope, etc.) and therefore the index numbers are not comparable with each other even though they are shown on the same base period.

### WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(Base of Each Index: Year 1958=100.)

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries.

Period.	Australia.	Canada.	France.	Federal Republic of Germany.	Japan (Tokyo).	New Zealand.	South Africa. (a)	United Kingdom.	United States of America.
1957 .. ..	102	100	90	100	107	97	100	107	99
<b>1958</b> .. ..	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1959 .. ..	101	101	105	99	101	102	100	101	100
1960 .. ..	107	101	107	100	103	102	101	101	100
1961 .. ..	103	102	110	102	107	102	101	100	100
<b>Quarter—</b>									
1961—June ..	106	102	108	102	107	102	100	101	100
September	102	103	109	102	108	102	101	100	100
December	99	103	112	102	108	102	101	99	100
1962—March ..	100	104	112	103	107	101	101	101	100
June ..	100	105	113	103	106	102	101	100	100
September	102	106	112	103	106		101	99	100

(a) Beginning 1961, base : November, 1960 = 100.

### CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of Each Index: Year 1958 = 100.)

Period.	Australia. (a)	Canada.	France (Paris).	Federal Republic of Germany.	Japan.	New Zealand.	South Africa. (b)	United Kingdom.	United States of America.
1957 .. ..	99	97	-87-	98	100	96	97	97	97
<b>1958</b> .. ..	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>-100-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1959 .. ..	102	101	106	101	101	104	101	101	101
1960 .. ..	106	102	110	102	105	105	103	102	102
1961 .. ..	108	103	114	105	110	106	105	105	103
<b>Quarter—</b>									
1961—June ..	109	103	112	105	108	105	105	104	103
September	109	103	113	106	111	107	105	106	104
December	108	104	116	106	114	108	105	107	104
1962—March ..	108	104	117	107	116	108	105	-108-	104
June ..	108	104	118	109	117	109	106	110	104
September	108	105	119	(c) 109	118	110	107	110	105

(a) Consumer Price Index converted to base : 1958 = 100.

(b) European families' expenditure.

(c) Average of July and September.

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index was first published in August, 1960. It has been compiled for periods from September quarter, 1948. A full description of the Consumer Price Index is contained in Labour Report, No. 48, 1960.

## GROUP INDEXES: WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each index: Year 1952-53=100.0)

Period.	Food.	Clothing and Drapery.	Housing.	Household Supplies and Equipment.	Miscellaneous.	All Groups.
<b>Year ended June—</b>						
1953.. ..	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1954.. ..	103.5	100.7	104.8	101.6	99.9	102.0
1955.. ..	104.3	101.0	108.4	101.4	99.9	102.6
1956.. ..	110.2	102.0	115.1	101.6	105.9	106.9
1957.. ..	115.3	103.9	122.1	105.8	118.0	113.1
1958.. ..	113.3	107.0	127.3	107.5	119.7	114.2
1959.. ..	115.4	108.2	130.6	108.7	121.2	116.0
1960.. ..	119.8	109.4	135.2	109.8	123.9	118.9
1961.. ..	127.7	111.6	144.8	111.2	127.3	123.8
1962.. ..	125.5	112.8	150.7	112.7	128.1	124.3
<b>Quarter—</b>						
1956-57—September .. ..	119.0	102.3	119.7	103.6	116.0	112.9
December .. ..	115.6	103.3	121.7	105.5	118.0	113.0
March .. ..	112.9	104.2	122.3	107.0	118.6	112.6
June .. ..	113.8	105.6	124.5	107.1	119.3	113.7
1957-58—September .. ..	113.4	106.2	125.6	107.6	119.6	113.9
December .. ..	112.1	106.7	127.0	108.0	119.6	113.7
March .. ..	113.9	106.7	127.6	107.1	119.6	114.3
June .. ..	113.9	108.2	128.8	107.3	119.8	114.8
1958-59—September .. ..	113.7	108.2	129.2	107.9	120.1	114.9
December .. ..	114.6	108.4	130.4	108.7	121.3	115.8
March .. ..	116.3	108.1	130.9	108.9	121.5	116.3
June .. ..	117.1	107.9	131.9	109.1	121.9	116.8
1959-60—September .. ..	117.9	108.3	132.5	109.4	122.3	117.3
December .. ..	118.4	109.2	133.9	109.6	123.0	118.0
March .. ..	120.3	109.5	134.8	110.0	123.8	119.0
June .. ..	122.6	110.5	139.4	110.2	126.4	121.1
1960-61—September .. ..	126.0	110.7	141.4	110.6	126.7	122.5
December .. ..	126.7	111.5	144.1	111.0	127.2	123.3
March .. ..	128.6	111.7	145.7	111.3	127.5	124.2
June .. ..	129.4	112.4	148.0	111.9	127.7	125.0
1961-62—September .. ..	128.1	112.4	148.5	112.6	127.9	124.8
December .. ..	125.3	112.9	150.5	112.7	128.3	124.3
March .. ..	124.7	112.9	151.0	112.7	128.0	124.1
June .. ..	123.7	112.9	152.6	112.8	128.2	124.0
1962-63—September .. ..	124.2	113.0	153.3	112.8	128.4	124.3
December .. ..	124.3	113.2	154.7	112.4	128.7	124.4

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 24. The indexes shown below measure price movements in each State capital city individually and for the weighted average of the six capital cities. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

## ALL GROUPS: SIX CAPITAL CITIES SEPARATELY AND COMBINED

(Base of each index: Year 1952-53=100.0)

Period.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capital Cities. (Weighted Average.)
<b>Year ended June—</b>							
1953 .. ..	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1954 .. ..	101.6	102.0	102.0	102.3	103.0	105.0	102.0
1955 .. ..	102.3	102.0	102.9	103.5	105.2	104.9	102.6
1956 .. ..	105.7	108.1	106.3	106.9	107.9	110.2	106.9
1957 .. ..	112.9	114.0	112.0	111.1	112.9	116.9	113.1
1958 .. ..	114.5	114.4	114.4	111.9	113.6	117.0	114.2
1959 .. ..	115.3	116.6	118.2	114.5	114.7	118.7	116.0
1960 .. ..	117.8	120.0	121.2	118.0	116.9	120.8	118.9
1961 .. ..	122.1	125.9	125.4	122.9	121.2	127.5	123.8
1962 .. ..	122.6	126.3	127.3	122.5	121.6	128.1	124.3
<b>Quarter—</b>							
1956-57—September ..	112.7	114.1	111.9	111.6	111.7	116.2	112.9
December ..	112.6	114.2	111.7	111.4	112.3	117.2	113.0
March ..	112.6	113.3	111.7	110.2	113.2	116.7	112.6
June ..	113.7	114.2	112.6	111.3	114.2	117.5	113.7
1957-58—September ..	114.0	114.4	112.8	111.9	114.0	116.7	113.9
December ..	113.9	114.2	113.7	111.6	113.0	116.9	113.7
March ..	115.0	114.2	115.0	111.5	113.2	117.1	114.3
June ..	115.1	114.6	115.9	112.7	114.1	117.3	114.8
1958-59—September ..	114.8	114.9	116.7	113.5	114.4	117.7	114.9
December ..	115.2	116.4	117.9	114.2	114.3	118.7	115.8
March ..	115.5	117.1	119.0	115.0	114.7	119.1	116.3
June ..	115.8	117.9	119.1	115.3	115.5	119.3	116.8
1959-60—September ..	116.3	118.2	120.2	116.3	115.9	119.7	117.3
December ..	117.2	118.8	120.8	116.9	115.7	120.1	118.0
March ..	118.2	119.8	121.6	118.3	117.1	120.8	119.0
June ..	119.6	123.0	122.3	120.6	119.0	122.6	121.1
1960-61—September ..	120.8	124.9	123.6	121.5	119.8	125.8	122.5
December ..	121.6	125.5	125.1	122.4	120.8	127.1	123.3
March ..	122.5	126.1	126.7	123.4	121.9	128.3	124.2
June ..	123.4	127.1	126.1	124.3	122.4	128.9	125.0
1961-62—September ..	123.1	126.8	127.0	123.5	121.7	129.1	124.8
December ..	122.5	126.5	127.1	122.5	121.3	128.3	124.3
March ..	122.4	125.9	127.7	122.1	121.5	127.5	124.1
June ..	122.3	125.9	127.3	121.9	121.8	127.5	124.0
1962-63—September ..	122.7	126.2	127.5	121.9	122.1	127.6	124.3
December ..	123.2	126.2	127.6	121.9	121.7	128.2	124.4

## SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE  
(Base of each Index: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Twenty-three Manufacturing and Distributing Companies.	Ten Retail Companies.	Four Pastoral and Finance Companies.	Four Insurance Companies.	Total Seventy-five Companies.	Thirty-four Active Shares included in foregoing.
1952-53 .. ..	1,733	1,376	1,337	2,059	1,398	1,335
1953-54 .. ..	1,784	1,534	1,385	2,217	1,475	1,443
1954-55 .. ..	1,943	1,885	1,555	2,184	1,626	1,598
1955-56 .. ..	2,038	2,178	1,751	2,142	1,726	1,649
1956-57 .. ..	2,031	1,960	1,807	2,489	1,707	1,653
1957-58 .. ..	2,188	1,972	1,886	2 827	1,836	1,803
1958-59 .. ..	2,411	2,002	1,597	3,117	1,966	1,978
1959-60 .. ..	3,188	2,702	2,382	4,245	2,718	2,743
1960-61 .. ..	3,223	2,866	2,095	4,888	2,787	2,855
1961-62 .. ..	3,359	2,872	1,915	5,620	2,949	2,932
1960-61—						
December .. ..	2,992	2,715	1,950	4,689	2,582	2,662
January .. ..	3,033	2,709	2,020	4,667	2,615	2,716
February .. ..	3,105	2,723	1,990	4,795	2,656	2,766
March .. ..	3,085	2,731	1,919	4,747	2,631	2,745
April .. ..	3,102	2,730	1,871	4,749	2,665	2,754
May .. ..	3,117	2,759	1,898	4,899	2,682	2,794
June .. ..	3,224	2,874	1,881	5,219	2,794	2,884
1961-62—						
July .. ..	3,260	2,807	1,882	5,272	2,799	2,878
August .. ..	3,202	2,759	1,845	5,251	2,782	2,865
September .. ..	3,237	2,739	1,829	5,267	2,809	2,863
October .. ..	3,243	2,731	1,767	5,337	2,829	2,838
November .. ..	3,230	2,768	1,778	5,493	2,857	2,864
December .. ..	3,211	2,765	1,829	5,416	2,857	2,839
January .. ..	3,349	2,879	1,889	5,531	2,969	2,914
February .. ..	3,536	3,030	1,954	5,659	3,122	3,046
March .. ..	3,559	3,045	2,085	5,694	3,113	3,046
April .. ..	3,513	3,056	2,061	5,670	3,072	3,005
May .. ..	3,549	3,028	2,044	6,440	3,143	3,078
June .. ..	3,412	2,861	2,018	6,408	3,037	2,946
1962-63—						
July .. ..	3,394	2,841	1,968	6,130	3,030	2,944
August .. ..	3,339	2,866	1,976	6,164	3,011	2,927
September .. ..	3,211	2,840	1,901	5,851	2,907	2,836
October .. ..	3,181	2,922	1,938	5,770	2,908	2,850
November .. ..	3,240	2,960	2,052	5,902	2,952	2,884
December .. ..	3,255	2,961	2,067	5,863	2,948	2,896
January .. ..	3,370	3,073	2,100	5,988	3,035	3,002

(a) Converted from original base, par values.

# WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

Date.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.	
							Rates.	Index Nos. (Base 1954 =100.0).

## WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE.(a)

				<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>								
30th June—																		
1951	..	..	..	223	0	217	9	209	3	211	5	218	7	212	2	218	0	77.2
1952	..	..	..	267	1	254	7	250	5	252	7	260	5	255	4	259	2	91.8
1953	..	..	..	284	10	274	7	260	1	270	6	279	6	280	2	276	9	98.0
1954	..	..	..	287	8	278	8	269	7	273	7	283	9	283	9	281	0	99.5
1955	..	..	..	298	2	290	7	278	1	284	4	292	5	292	0	291	6	103.2
1956	..	..	..	311	10	305	9	292	2	295	10	305	3	311	11	305	7	108.2
1957	..	..	..	324	0	315	9	302	10	306	5	317	9	319	0	316	8	112.1
1958	..	..	..	329	7	319	1	310	9	312	0	319	6	322	11	321	7	113.9
1959	..	..	..	338	3	330	8	326	10	328	0	327	2	333	3	332	9	117.8
1960	..	..	..	356	6	349	6	344	8	341	10	350	4	349	8	350	11	124.3
1960—																		
30th November	..	..	..	362	7	349	11	350	8	342	1	357	11	351	2	355	0	125.7
31st December	..	..	..	362	10	349	11	350	8	342	2	358	1	351	6	355	0	125.7
1961—																		
31st January	..	..	..	363	0	350	1	353	11	342	3	359	11	352	1	355	9	126.0
28th February	..	..	..	364	9	350	2	354	0	342	4	359	11	352	1	356	6	126.2
31st March	..	..	..	365	4	350	2	354	1	342	4	360	1	352	3	356	8	126.3
30th April	..	..	..	365	4	350	3	354	1	342	4	360	1	352	3	356	8	126.3
31st May	..	..	..	366	10	350	5	357	4	342	4	362	5	352	4	357	11	126.7
30th June	..	..	..	366	10	350	6	357	4	342	4	362	5	352	4	357	11	126.7
31st July	..	..	..	372	1	360	4	359	8	354	4	364	11	362	6	364	9	129.2
31st August	..	..	..	373	9	362	2	359	8	354	5	365	0	362	8	365	10	129.5
30th September	..	..	..	373	9	362	2	359	8	354	5	365	0	362	9	365	11	129.6
31st October	..	..	..	373	9	362	1	359	8	354	5	363	8	362	8	365	9	129.5
30th November	..	..	..	373	3	362	1	359	9	354	6	363	9	362	10	365	8	129.5
31st December	..	..	..	373	4	362	1	359	10	354	7	363	9	362	10	365	8	129.5
1962—																		
31st January	..	..	..	373	3	363	2	359	10	354	7	363	9	362	10	366	0	129.6
28th February	..	..	..	372	9	363	2	359	10	354	8	363	9	362	10	365	9	129.5
31st March	..	..	..	372	8	363	3	359	10	354	8	363	9	362	10	365	9	129.5
30th April	..	..	..	372	8	363	4	359	10	354	8	363	9	362	10	365	10	129.5
31st May	..	..	..	372	9	363	4	359	10	354	8	363	10	362	10	365	10	129.5
30th June	..	..	..	372	8	363	4	359	10	355	3	363	10	362	10	365	10	129.5
31st July	..	..	..	372	9	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	0	362	11	365	10	129.5
31st August	..	..	..	372	1	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	0	363	0	365	7	129.4
30th September	..	..	..	372	0	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	0	363	4	365	7	129.4
31st October	..	..	..	372	1	363	4	359	8	355	3	364	3	363	4	365	7	129.4
30th November	..	..	..	373	1	363	6	359	8	356	1	364	3	363	7	366	1	129.6
31st December	..	..	..	373	1	363	6	359	8	356	2	365	2	364	3	366	3	129.7

## WEIGHTED AVERAGE STANDARD WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK.(b)

31st December, 1962 ..	39.95	39.97	39.98	39.96	39.89	39.97	39.96	100.0
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(a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States. (b) Excluding rural, and shipping and stevedoring.



# WEEKLY WAGE RATES: ADULT MALES, AUSTRALIA(a)

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL WAGE RATES

Date.	Commonwealth Awards, etc.(b)				State Awards, etc.(c)				All Awards, etc.			
	Basic Wage.(d)	Margin.(e)	Load-ing.(f)	Total Wage.	Basic Wage.	Margin.(e)	Load-ing.(f)	Total Wage.	Basic Wage.	Margin.(e)	Load-ing.(f)	Total Wage.
WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY RATES OF WAGE.(a)												
30th June—	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1951 ..	176 9	36 3	4 8	217 8	176 2	35 10	6 3	218 3	176 6	36 0	5 6	218 0
1952 ..	216 3	38 6	3 8	258 5	216 8	37 5	5 10	259 11	216 6	38 0	4 8	259 2
1953 ..	234 9	39 0	3 4	277 1	233 7	38 11	4 0	276 6	234 2	38 11	3 8	276 9
1954 ..	237 4	39 2	3 4	279 10	237 9	40 0	4 6	282 3	237 6	39 7	3 11	281 0
1955 ..	237 4	52 1	2 4	291 9	237 8	48 9	4 9	291 2	237 6	50 6	3 6	291 6
1956 ..	248 6	53 0	2 4	303 10	250 7	51 6	5 7	307 8	249 5	52 4	3 10	305 7
1957 ..	258 4	54 3	2 5	315 0	259 9	53 3	5 4	318 4	259 0	53 9	3 11	316 8
1958 ..	263 0	54 5	2 6	319 11	264 5	54 8	4 2	323 3	263 8	54 7	3 4	321 7
1959 ..	277 1	55 1	2 7	334 9	270 8	55 6	4 5	330 7	274 0	55 3	3 6	332 9
1960 ..	277 5	69 9	3 2	350 4	279 5	67 3	5 1	351 9	278 5	68 5	4 1	350 11
1960—												
30th Nov.	278 2	70 1	3 2	351 5	285 2	68 3	5 4	358 9	281 7	69 2	4 3	355 0
31st Dec. ..	278 2	70 1	3 2	351 5	285 2	68 5	5 3	358 10	281 7	69 3	4 2	355 0
1961—												
31st Jan. ..	278 2	70 2	3 2	351 6	286 4	68 5	5 4	360 1	282 2	69 4	4 3	355 9
28th Feb. ..	278 5	70 3	3 2	351 10	287 6	68 6	5 4	361 4	282 10	69 5	4 3	356 6
31st March ..	278 5	70 3	3 8	352 4	287 6	68 7	5 3	361 4	282 10	69 5	4 5	356 8
30th April ..	278 5	70 3	3 8	352 4	287 6	68 7	5 3	361 4	282 10	69 5	4 5	356 8
31st May ..	278 8	70 3	3 8	352 7	289 6	68 7	5 6	363 7	283 11	69 5	4 7	357 11
30th June ..	278 8	70 5	3 8	352 9	289 6	68 7	5 6	363 7	283 11	69 5	4 7	357 11
31st July ..	289 7	70 5	3 6	363 6	291 10	68 7	5 6	365 11	290 8	69 7	4 6	364 9
31st Aug. ..	289 9	70 6	3 6	363 9	293 11	68 9	5 5	368 1	291 9	69 8	4 5	365 10
30th Sept. ..	289 9	70 6	3 6	363 9	293 11	68 9	5 5	368 1	291 9	69 8	4 6	365 11
31st Oct. ..	289 9	70 7	3 6	363 10	293 9	68 9	5 5	367 11	291 8	69 8	4 5	365 9
30th Nov. ..	289 9	70 7	3 6	363 10	293 5	68 10	5 4	367 7	291 6	69 9	4 5	365 8
31st Dec. ..	289 9	70 7	3 6	363 10	293 5	68 11	5 3	367 7	291 6	69 9	4 5	365 8
1962—												
31st Jan. ..	289 9	70 7	3 10	364 2	293 5	68 11	5 6	367 10	291 6	69 10	4 8	366 0
28th Feb. ..	289 8	70 8	3 9	364 1	293 0	68 11	5 6	367 5	291 3	69 10	4 8	365 9
31st March ..	289 8	70 8	3 9	364 1	293 0	68 11	5 6	367 5	291 3	69 11	4 7	365 9
30th April ..	289 8	70 8	3 10	364 2	293 0	69 0	5 5	367 5	291 3	69 11	4 8	365 10
31st May ..	289 8	70 8	3 10	364 2	293 0	69 1	5 6	367 7	291 3	69 11	4 8	365 10
30th June ..	289 8	70 9	3 10	364 3	293 0	69 1	5 5	367 6	291 3	70 0	4 7	365 10
31st July ..	289 7	70 10	3 10	364 3	293 0	69 0	5 6	367 6	291 3	69 11	4 8	365 10
31st Aug. ..	289 6	70 10	3 10	364 2	292 8	69 0	5 5	367 1	291 1	69 11	4 7	365 7
30th Sept. ..	289 6	70 10	3 10	364 2	292 8	69 0	5 5	367 1	291 1	69 11	4 7	365 7
31st Oct. ..	289 6	70 10	3 10	364 2	292 8	69 1	5 5	367 2	291 1	69 11	4 7	365 7
30th Nov. ..	289 7	70 11	4 1	364 7	293 0	69 3	5 6	367 9	291 3	70 1	4 9	366 1
31st Dec. ..	289 7	71 0	4 1	364 8	293 1	69 4	5 6	367 11	291 3	70 2	4 10	366 3

(a) Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural.

(b) Awards of, or agreements registered with, the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, and determinations of the Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator.

(c) Awards or determinations of, or agreements registered with, State industrial tribunals, and certain unregistered agreements.

(d) Because of the coverage and method of weighting, these rates differ from the "Six Capitals" Commonwealth basic wage rates shown on page 29.

(e) Margins are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage, prescribed in awards, etc., as payable to particular classifications for skill, experience, arduousness and other like factors.

(f) Loadings are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage and margin (if any), awarded for various kinds of disabilities associated with the performance of work, or to meet particular circumstances. They include payments such as industry loadings and other general loadings prescribed in awards, etc., for the occupations included in the Minimum Wage Rate Index.

# BASIC WAGES: WEEKLY RATES, ADULT MALES

Date.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
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## COMMONWEALTH BASIC WAGE. (a)

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
1947—November ..	112	0	109	0	105	0	106	0	106	0	107	0	109	0
1948—November ..	122	0	120	0	115	0	116	0	116	0	118	0	119	0
1949—November ..	132	0	130	0	125	0	126	0	129	0	128	0	129	0
1950—November ..	146	0	143	0	135	0	137	0	139	0	139	0	142	0
December ..	165	0	162	0	154	0	158	0	160	0	160	0	162	0
1951—November ..	207	0	199	0	185	0	195	0	197	0	199	0	200	0
1952—November ..	237	0	228	0	216	0	229	0	228	0	230	0	231	0
1953—February ..	238	0	229	0	215	0	225	0	229	0	232	0	231	0
May ..	241	0	232	0	217	0	228	0	231	0	239	0	234	0
August ..	243	0	235	0	218	0	231	0	236	0	242	0	236	0
1956—June ..	253	0	245	0	228	0	241	0	246	0	252	0	246	0
1957—15th May ..	263	0	255	0	238	0	251	0	256	0	262	0	256	0
1958—21st May ..	268	0	260	0	243	0	256	0	261	0	267	0	261	0
1959—11th June ..	283	0	275	0	258	0	271	0	276	0	282	0	276	0
1961—7th July ..	295	0	287	0	270	0	283	0	288	0	294	0	288	0

## STATE BASIC WAGE.

	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)
1958—March ..	269	0	263	0	244	0	251	0	268	6	272	0
June ..	274	0	263	0	248	0	256	0	268	6	272	0
September ..	274	0	263	0	254	0	256	0	272	3	272	0
December ..	273	0	263	0	256	0	256	0	273	5	272	0
1959—March ..	275	0	263	0	260	0	256	0	273	5	272	0
June ..	276	0	275	0	263	0	271	0	275	1	272	0
September ..	277	0	275	0	263	0	271	0	278	7	282	0
December ..	279	0	275	0	267	0	271	0	281	6	282	0
1960—March ..	283	0	275	0	269	0	271	0	281	6	282	0
June ..	285	0	275	0	271	0	271	0	286	4	282	0
September ..	288	0	275	0	273	0	271	0	292	3	282	0
December ..	294	0	275	0	276	0	271	0	294	7	282	0
1961—March ..	297	0	275	0	280	0	271	0	296	7	282	0
June ..	299	0	275	0	284	0	271	0	299	3	282	0
September ..	302	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	300	6	294	0
December ..	301	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0
1962—March ..	300	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0
June ..	300	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0
September ..	299	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0
December ..	300	0	287	0	284	0	283	0	298	9	294	0
1963—January ..	(g) 301	0	(h) 287	0	(i) 284	0	(j) 283	0	(k) 298	9	(l) 294	0

(a) Automatic adjustment in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers discontinued as from 12th September, 1953. Rates operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing in month shown or commencing on or after the date shown. (b) Automatic quarterly adjustments operative. To December, 1962, rates payable from beginning of first pay-period in month prior to that shown. (c) Automatic adjustments discontinued. Commonwealth rates adopted during 1959. (d) Determined by State industrial tribunal—to March, 1961, after considering retail price index numbers; thereafter, only after a full inquiry. (e) Rates same as Commonwealth basic wage rates. (f) Determined each quarter by State industrial tribunal, after considering retail price index numbers. (g) Rates payable from first pay-period in February, 1963. (h) During July and August, 1961, Wages Boards adopted the Commonwealth basic wage rate. (i) 29th May, 1961. (j) 10th July, 1961. (k) 30th October, 1961. (l) Most Wages Boards adopted the Commonwealth basic wage rate from July, 1961.

# AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS(a)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the Defence Forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly earnings is published on page 2. The figures are subject to revision.

Period.	New South Wales.(b)	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.(c)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES PAID (£'000).							
1957-58 .. ..	21,664	15,510	6,585	4,635	3,284	1,671	53,349
1958-59 .. ..	22,414	16,240	6,970	4,823	3,347	1,725	55,519
1959-60 .. ..	24,816	18,123	7,441	5,392	3,618	1,878	61,268
1960-61 .. ..	26,823	19,204	7,819	5,661	3,886	1,969	65,362
1961-62 .. ..	27,268	19,519	7,909	5,822	4,048	2,057	66,623
1960-61—							
September Quarter	26,296	19,029	7,977	5,640	3,877	1,888	64,707
December „ ..	28,276	20,204	8,188	5,868	4,003	2,002	68,541
March „ ..	25,649	18,518	7,271	5,497	3,691	1,945	62,571
June „ ..	27,073	19,065	7,840	5,639	3,972	2,040	65,629
1961-62—							
September „ ..	26,276	18,924	7,966	5,643	3,964	1,937	64,710
December „ ..	28,407	20,130	8,130	5,945	4,110	2,069	68,791
March „ ..	26,065	18,984	7,426	5,681	3,943	2,033	64,132
June „ ..	28,323	20,037	8,112	6,021	4,176	2,188	68,857
1962-63—							
September „ ..	27,541	19,863	8,278	5,993	4,205	2,023	67,903
December „ ..	29,804	21,061	8,585	6,311	4,360	2,083	72,204

## AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£).(d)

1957-58 .. ..	20.44	20.22	17.94	18.68	18.05	18.95	19.67
1958-59 .. ..	21.04	20.69	18.63	19.10	18.19	19.33	20.19
1959-60 .. ..	22.77	22.28	19.89	20.61	19.46	20.71	21.76
1960-61 .. ..	24.03	23.32	21.00	21.33	20.57	21.42	22.86
1961-62 .. ..	24.48	23.98	21.67	21.96	21.27	22.50	23.46
1960-61—							
September Quarter	23.63	23.22	21.02	21.30	20.54	20.71	22.65
December „ ..	25.14	24.42	21.88	22.05	21.07	21.78	23.85
March „ ..	22.86	22.29	19.76	20.64	19.56	21.00	21.81
June „ ..	24.48	23.34	21.33	21.32	21.10	22.18	23.15
1961-62—							
September „ ..	23.92	23.54	21.66	21.60	21.07	21.40	23.03
December „ ..	25.58	24.80	22.52	22.48	21.73	22.78	24.33
March „ ..	23.28	23.15	20.53	21.30	20.64	22.11	22.49
June „ ..	25.15	24.44	21.95	22.44	21.66	23.70	24.00
1962-63—							
September „ ..	24.43	24.18	22.15	22.18	21.75	22.17	23.60
December „ ..	26.20	25.37	23.25	23.23	22.38	22.67	24.94

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, etc. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) Total wages and salaries, etc. divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. As it is not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE.—Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

# BUILDING APPROVALS(a): AUSTRALIA

Period.	Houses and Flats.						Other New Buildings.		Alterations (b) and Additions.		Total.
	Private. (c)		Government. (c)		Total.		Private. (c)	Government. (c)	Private. (c)	Government. (c)	
	Number. (d)	Value.	Number. (d)	Value.	Number. (d)	Value.	Value.		Value.		Value.
Monthly		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Average—											
1954-55 ..	5,622	15,408	1,563	3,700	7,185	19,108	6,301	3,507	3,849	537	33,302
1955-56 ..	5,268	15,367	1,047	2,633	6,315	18,000	8,169	4,986	4,179	806	36,140
1956-57 ..	5,189	15,342	1,122	2,862	6,311	18,204	6,564	3,251	3,991	831	32,841
1957-58 ..	5,846	17,606	1,181	3,173	7,027	20,779	7,193	4,007	4,374	789	37,142
1958-59 ..	6,308	19,108	1,190	3,188	7,498	22,296	8,639	4,503	4,906	970	41,314
1959-60 ..	7,587	23,581	1,066	3,031	8,653	26,612	11,251	5,673	5,827	947	50,310
1960-61 ..	6,446	21,324	1,355	3,709	7,801	25,033	11,947	6,666	5,752	781	50,179
1961-62 ..	5,886	19,941	1,180	3,333	7,066	23,274	11,372	7,676	5,789	720	48,831
Monthly Total—											
1960-61—											
December	5,299	18,103	1,355	3,612	6,654	21,715	12,410	4,651	4,987	479	44,242
January ..	4,812	15,738	788	2,298	5,600	18,036	8,356	2,468	4,781	919	34,560
February	5,084	16,936	885	2,591	5,969	19,527	9,376	5,617	5,607	1,251	41,378
March ..	5,107	17,172	1,234	3,067	6,341	20,239	9,772	7,033	5,766	774	43,584
April ..	4,552	15,422	819	2,288	5,371	17,710	6,459	3,391	4,890	759	33,209
May ..	5,850	19,667	1,316	3,815	7,166	23,482	15,710	7,400	5,855	604	53,051
June ..	5,363	18,270	2,699	7,928	8,062	26,198	9,241	10,303	5,059	1,134	51,935
1961-62—											
July ..	5,818	19,498	1,197	3,323	7,015	22,821	8,720	5,393	5,568	1,189	43,691
August ..	6,950	23,891	775	2,362	7,725	26,253	14,745	6,193	6,774	648	54,613
September	5,540	18,732	1,483	4,369	7,023	23,101	12,156	11,201	6,277	484	53,219
October ..	6,066	20,615	1,099	3,143	7,165	23,758	7,888	11,496	6,124	467	49,733
November	6,394	21,485	1,014	3,045	7,408	24,530	15,142	7,650	6,530	356	54,208
December	4,397	14,721	1,531	4,319	5,928	19,040	9,854	6,881	4,020	202	39,997
January ..	4,842	16,360	517	1,604	5,359	17,964	8,295	6,548	4,682	1,148	38,637
February	5,551	18,855	921	2,536	6,472	21,391	11,693	6,115	5,178	457	44,834
March ..	6,474	21,870	1,005	2,836	7,479	24,706	11,908	9,313	7,041	907	53,875
April ..	5,781	19,465	1,443	4,011	7,224	23,476	11,525	8,514	5,418	583	49,516
May ..	6,723	22,964	1,772	4,541	8,495	27,505	15,663	5,220	6,344	908	55,640
June ..	6,094	20,838	1,404	3,909	7,498	24,747	8,873	7,585	5,513	1,287	48,005
1962-63—											
July ..	7,167	24,542	1,106	3,018	8,273	27,560	16,610	10,995	6,627	746	62,538
August ..	7,338	25,917	920	2,532	8,258	28,449	14,844	4,699	7,426	386	55,804
September	6,631	22,759	2,354	5,361	8,985	28,120	9,977	9,827	7,580	944	56,448
October ..	7,076	24,197	1,200	3,361	8,276	27,558	14,745	7,942	7,850	566	58,661
November	6,697	22,974	1,187	3,507	7,884	26,481	11,964	8,831	6,739	597	54,612
December	4,780	16,684	694	2,003	5,474	18,687	10,829	5,096	4,881	818	40,311
January ..	5,457	19,109	468	1,334	5,925	20,443	11,452	13,055	5,052	675	50,677

(a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities. (b) In all States, except New South Wales, additions of £5,000 and over are included with new buildings. (c) Building is classified as "Government" or "Private" according to ownership. (d) Number of individual living units.

# BUILDING APPROVALS

## VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED(a)

(Including alterations and additions.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>									
1954-55 ..	12,093	9,506	3,537	3,266	3,103	1,044	172	581	33,302
1955-56 ..	13,529	11,065	3,879	3,862	2,250	1,033	154	368	36,140
1956-57 ..	11,973	9,748	3,851	3,025	2,350	1,280	108	506	32,841
1957-58 ..	13,332	11,414	4,414	3,584	2,334	1,112	202	750	37,142
1958-59 ..	15,426	12,623	4,542	3,911	2,357	1,150	219	1,086	41,314
1959-60 ..	19,488	14,993	5,455	4,428	2,889	1,631	312	1,114	50,310
1960-61 ..	18,773	13,825	6,118	5,568	3,006	1,272	249	1,368	50,179
1961-62 ..	18,785	13,137	5,377	4,699	3,319	1,575	329	1,610	48,831
<b>Monthly Total—</b>									
<b>1960-61—</b>									
December ..	18,884	12,303	4,874	3,061	2,732	1,052	123	1,213	44,242
January ..	14,429	7,650	4,883	2,974	2,708	851	328	737	34,560
February ..	16,948	9,910	4,035	6,570	2,069	1,057	428	361	41,378
March ..	15,850	12,022	5,226	5,567	2,996	1,071	221	631	43,584
April ..	12,377	8,907	4,849	2,470	2,442	1,287	476	401	33,209
May ..	19,053	12,872	9,421	5,644	3,128	1,331	249	1,353	53,051
June ..	17,155	13,037	5,697	8,042	3,608	1,292	309	2,795	51,935
<b>1961-62—</b>									
July ..	18,102	10,455	4,997	3,559	3,214	1,776	693	895	43,691
August ..	22,352	13,955	5,374	5,391	3,409	2,587	183	1,362	54,613
September ..	22,017	12,457	5,069	5,577	4,145	1,921	126	1,907	53,219
October ..	21,122	13,062	5,119	3,594	4,067	1,191	363	1,215	49,733
November ..	21,886	13,603	5,021	6,592	3,160	1,150	291	2,505	54,208
December ..	15,062	10,653	4,697	3,559	3,373	1,474	167	1,012	39,997
January ..	17,184	10,740	3,587	2,718	2,203	1,159	325	721	38,637
February ..	13,662	13,664	5,165	6,117	2,929	1,428	332	1,537	44,834
March ..	19,280	13,511	6,920	4,186	3,545	2,557	459	3,417	53,875
April ..	20,637	14,024	5,569	4,381	2,752	897	207	1,049	49,516
May ..	17,970	17,114	6,471	6,541	3,585	1,477	315	2,167	55,640
June ..	16,140	14,410	6,531	4,171	3,451	1,286	481	1,535	48,005
<b>1962-63—</b>									
July ..	26,078	16,326	6,572	6,523	4,359	1,556	72	1,052	62,538
August ..	19,784	17,652	6,408	4,647	3,779	1,685	429	1,420	55,804
September ..	21,246	15,991	5,039	8,372	3,172	1,378	301	949	56,448
October ..	21,401	16,818	6,182	6,860	4,017	1,373	439	1,571	58,661
November ..	22,780	14,483	5,116	4,358	2,781	1,289	352	3,453	54,612
December ..	16,383	11,321	4,083	3,117	2,886	1,117	470	934	40,311
January ..	22,968	11,523	5,970	4,197	2,596	1,380	113	1,930	50,677

(a) See note (a) page 31.



# BUILDING APPROVALS

## NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED(a)

(Individual living units.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>									
1954-55 ..	2,490	2,013	838	752	751	234	27	80	7,185
1955-56 ..	2,127	1,881	809	678	518	222	24	56	6,315
1956-57 ..	2,309	1,760	825	584	525	229	14	65	6,311
1957-58 ..	2,505	2,008	907	780	482	212	27	106	7,027
1958-59 ..	2,929	2,066	952	708	455	219	31	138	7,498
1959-60 ..	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653
1960-61 ..	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801
1961-62 ..	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066
<b>Monthly Total</b>									
1960-61—									
December ..	2,560	1,738	799	762	427	208	26	134	6,654
January ..	2,427	1,051	828	627	333	154	73	107	5,600
February ..	2,830	1,261	727	462	411	177	74	27	5,969
March ..	2,667	1,495	834	671	407	179	21	67	6,341
April ..	2,205	1,240	869	391	440	147	49	30	5,371
May ..	2,928	1,693	1,177	466	498	192	34	178	7,166
June ..	2,492	2,112	920	1,345	635	185	12	361	8,062
1961-62—									
July ..	2,968	1,630	949	603	505	217	13	130	7,015
August ..	3,029	2,016	996	610	558	278	30	208	7,725
September ..	2,613	1,668	815	1,101	554	213	12	47	7,023
October ..	2,836	1,883	960	487	619	219	60	101	7,165
November ..	2,861	1,848	865	784	684	228	45	93	7,408
December ..	2,204	1,616	619	591	572	211	30	85	5,928
January ..	2,234	1,217	684	484	426	149	42	123	5,359
February ..	2,121	1,857	828	675	660	183	81	67	6,472
March ..	2,733	1,966	973	629	722	293	60	103	7,479
April ..	3,199	1,614	901	670	494	200	24	122	7,224
May ..	3,131	2,013	940	1,300	603	238	31	239	8,495
June ..	2,711	2,077	1,222	602	486	215	43	142	7,498
1962-63—									
July ..	3,211	2,306	898	763	616	237	10	232	8,273
August ..	3,318	2,108	960	802	592	210	70	198	8,258
September ..	2,862	2,115	786	2,239	583	234	23	143	8,985
October ..	2,829	2,639	948	695	765	222	93	85	8,276
November ..	2,963	2,417	852	690	489	229	23	221	7,884
December ..	2,137	1,602	604	447	428	141	28	87	5,474
January ..	2,355	1,552	658	561	489	202	6	102	5,925

(a) See note (a), page 31.

# VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(Including Estimated Value of Owner-built Houses.)

(£'000.)

Period.	Commenced.			Completed.			Under Construction at end of period.		
	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.
<b>Quarterly Average—</b>									
1957-58 .. ..	57,259	37,861	95,120	57,875	48,410	106,285	163,698	191,497	355,195
1958-59 .. ..	63,698	44,395	108,093	65,919	45,074	110,993	159,682	193,771	353,453
1959-60 .. ..	73,164	57,814	130,978	71,371	50,415	121,786	170,924	227,532	398,456
1960-61 .. ..	74,801	63,204	138,005	78,429	60,276	138,705	160,839	246,344	407,183
1961-62 .. ..	70,023	65,934	135,957	74,146	59,257	133,403	148,418	281,386	429,804
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>									
1959-60—									
June Qtr. ..	81,836	63,258	145,094	75,608	50,739	126,347	170,924	227,532	398,456
1960-61—									
Sept. „ ..	86,205	67,041	153,246	78,641	52,258	130,899	179,696	242,527	422,223
Dec. „ ..	81,331	67,965	149,296	85,532	63,723	149,255	176,479	250,719	427,198
Mar. „ ..	67,307	57,911	125,218	73,790	63,747	137,537	171,417	246,124	417,541
June „ ..	64,361	59,898	124,259	75,753	61,376	137,129	160,839	246,344	407,183
1961-62—									
Sept. „ ..	72,378	62,276	134,654	73,932	57,363	131,295	160,349	252,874	413,223
Dec. „ ..	65,031	61,550	126,581	77,559	66,609	144,168	148,802	250,112	398,914
Mar. „ ..	69,701	67,009	136,710	69,177	55,744	124,921	150,199	262,994	413,193
June „ ..	72,981	72,900	145,881	75,917	57,310	133,227	148,418	281,386	429,804
1962-63—									
Sept. „ ..	78,719	64,036	142,755	72,537	64,496	137,033	155,290	285,406	440,696

## VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(Including Estimated Value of Owner-built Houses.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
<b>Quarterly Average—</b>									
1957-58 .. ..	42,310	32,939	9,510	9,512	6,816	3,210	528	1,460	106,285
1958-59 .. ..	39,960	34,359	11,250	11,099	7,566	3,362	647	2,750	110,993
1959-60 .. ..	44,436	37,041	12,551	11,910	7,530	3,951	640	3,727	121,786
1960-61 .. ..	52,297	40,788	14,826	13,467	9,006	4,253	779	3,289	138,705
1961-62 .. ..	52,011	37,044	13,763	13,079	8,509	4,182	876	3,939	133,403
<b>Quarterly Total—</b>									
1959-60—									
June Qtr. ..	47,834	37,364	12,663	12,457	8,085	5,045	601	2,298	126,347
1960-61—									
Sept. „ ..	46,364	42,960	13,597	12,313	8,797	3,251	685	2,932	130,899
Dec. „ ..	53,334	42,146	18,062	15,845	10,617	4,513	538	4,200	149,255
Mar. „ ..	54,369	40,196	14,976	12,373	8,479	3,894	729	2,521	137,537
June „ ..	55,119	37,850	12,669	13,335	8,132	5,356	1,166	3,502	137,129
1961-62—									
Sept. „ ..	49,314	40,881	14,132	11,405	7,134	4,125	728	3,576	131,295
Dec. „ ..	56,839	39,237	14,073	14,679	9,199	4,474	743	4,924	144,168
Mar. „ ..	48,425	33,796	13,824	11,712	7,689	4,468	990	4,017	124,921
June „ ..	53,465	34,261	13,025	14,519	10,014	3,660	1,042	3,241	133,227
1962-63—									
Sept. „ ..	46,300	43,187	14,642	11,959	12,739	4,244	992	2,970	137,033

# NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a)

(Including Owner-built Houses.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
COMMENCED.									
Quarterly Average—									
1957-58 .. ..	6,461	5,804	1,836	1,863	1,390	616	78	289	18,337
1958-59 .. ..	7,372	6,067	2,222	2,219	1,368	692	83	399	20,422
1959-60 .. ..	8,453	6,681	2,570	2,431	1,565	635	106	395	22,836
1960-61 .. ..	8,808	5,797	2,588	2,460	1,512	594	104	359	22,222
1961-62 .. ..	7,571	5,385	2,439	2,334	1,702	660	122	404	20,617
Quarterly Total—									
1960-61—Sept. Qtr.	9,635	7,474	2,883	2,783	1,743	702	98	320	25,638
Dec. „	9,403	6,764	2,498	2,476	1,567	554	85	579	23,926
Mar. „	8,571	4,484	2,626	2,181	1,339	583	95	257	20,136
June „	7,623	4,467	2,344	2,399	1,402	538	137	279	19,189
1961-62—Sept. „	8,033	5,510	2,674	2,504	1,669	664	117	376	21,547
Dec. „	7,272	5,160	2,209	1,919	1,562	630	97	323	19,172
Mar. „	7,357	5,417	2,293	2,251	1,841	638	148	403	20,348
June „	7,623	5,453	2,578	2,660	1,737	709	127	516	21,403
1962-63—Sept. „	8,345	6,265	2,562	2,682	1,755	604	86	603	22,902
Dec. „ p	8,256	5,838	2,364	2,475	1,649	557	128	402	21,669
COMPLETED.									
Quarterly Average—									
1957-58 .. ..	6,611	5,618	1,922	1,994	1,592	652	68	189	18,646
1958-59 .. ..	7,508	6,441	2,214	2,196	1,514	677	89	401	21,040
1959-60 .. ..	8,352	6,555	2,481	2,395	1,565	668	85	404	22,505
1960-61 .. ..	9,099	6,569	2,651	2,566	1,603	665	101	362	23,616
1961-62 .. ..	8,087	5,760	2,517	2,432	1,587	638	99	446	21,566
Quarterly Total—									
1960-61—Sept. Qtr.	8,589	7,181	2,867	2,673	1,580	676	114	354	24,034
Dec. „	9,427	7,664	3,015	2,796	1,814	735	108	486	26,045
Mar. „	9,502	5,571	2,320	2,231	1,496	552	80	287	22,039
June „	8,879	5,861	2,401	2,563	1,523	699	101	320	22,347
1961-62—Sept. „	8,168	5,777	2,505	2,325	1,549	591	75	481	21,471
Dec. „	8,381	5,978	2,609	2,709	1,723	622	108	486	22,616
Mar. „	7,619	5,285	2,356	1,964	1,384	643	111	426	19,788
June „	8,181	5,999	2,598	2,731	1,691	695	102	391	22,388
1962-63—Sept. „	7,591	5,499	2,401	2,490	1,917	642	122	397	21,059
Dec. „ p	8,494	6,492	2,604	2,600	1,988	670	133	440	23,421
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.									
1957-58 .. ..	18,640	19,400	3,331	5,510	4,114	2,027	199	1,402	54,623
1958-59 .. ..	18,103	17,906	3,361	5,603	3,527	2,088	177	1,394	52,159
1959-60 .. ..	18,501	18,409	3,716	5,749	3,529	1,957	262	1,354	53,477
1960-61 .. ..	17,336	15,321	3,464	5,325	3,167	1,672	274	1,342	47,901
1961-62 .. ..	15,272	13,822	3,150	4,930	3,629	1,762	367	1,176	44,108
1960-61—Sept. Qtr.	19,547	18,702	3,732	5,859	3,692	1,983	246	1,320	55,081
Dec. „	19,523	17,802	3,215	5,539	3,445	1,802	223	1,413	52,962
Mar. „	18,592	16,715	3,521	5,489	3,288	1,833	238	1,383	51,059
June „	17,336	15,321	3,464	5,325	3,167	1,672	274	1,342	47,901
1961-62—Sept. „	17,201	15,054	3,633	5,504	3,287	1,745	316	1,237	47,977
Dec. „	16,092	14,236	3,233	4,714	3,126	1,753	305	1,074	44,533
Mar. „	15,830	14,368	3,170	5,001	3,583	1,748	342	1,051	45,093
June „	15,272	13,822	3,150	4,930	3,629	1,762	367	1,176	44,108
1962-63—Sept. „	16,026	14,588	3,311	5,122	3,467	1,724	331	1,382	45,951
Dec. „ p	15,788	13,934	3,071	4,997	3,128	1,611	326	1,344	44,199

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for flats include "home units".

# PRODUCTION OF COAL, ENERGY AND METALS

Period.	Coal.		Heat, Light and Power.		Iron and Steel.			Gold. (Mine Production). (c)	Refined Metals.(a)			
	Black.	Brown.	Gas made in Gas works.	Total Electricity Generated.	Pig Iron.	Ingot Steel. (b)	Tin-plate.		Lead. (d)	Copper.	Zinc. (e)	Aluminum.
	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	million therms. (f)	million kWh.	'000 tons. (g)	'000 tons. (g)	tons. (g)	'000 fine oz.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>												
1952-53 ..	1,545	673	17.2	1,004	141.0	150.1	..	86.5	16,030	1,595	7,181	..
1953-54 ..	1,619	728	17.8	1,142	152.2	176.4	..	92.6	19,669	1,742	8,091	..
1954-55 ..	1,613	806	18.4	1,267	155.7	184.1	..	90.0	19,613	2,533	8,198	..
1955-56 ..	1,586	865	18.9	1,390	159.2	193.4	..	86.0	18,372	2,039	8,664	460
1956-57 ..	1,643	898	19.6	1,524	174.8	231.2	..	88.5	19,983	2,711	8,691	833
1957-58 ..	1,697	906	20.0	1,650	190.3	253.1	3,398	90.3	21,352	2,987	9,416	893
1958-59 ..	1,705	1,020	20.4	1,767	191.2	267.0	6,433	91.7	19,912	3,772	9,559	946
1959-60 ..	1,769	1,175	21.4	1,933	221.3	293.3	7,315	90.6	19,776	5,404	9,816	947
1960-61 ..	r1,912	1,310	22.0	2,068	250.2	312.3	8,982	r89.6	18,979	5,749	10,495	1,008
1961-62 p ..	r2,036	1,394	22.2	2,204	281.5	338.5	8,868	r89.3	19,215	5,315	12,812	n.a.
<b>Monthly Total—</b>												
<b>1960-61—</b>												
December ..	1,674	1,167	19.2	1,946	277.6	337.3	8,494	98.5	20,934	5,594	10,680	1,031
January ..	r999	1,203	17.1	1,873	234.7	257.3	9,158	r82.5	19,586	5,160	10,632	914
February ..	r1,949	1,204	16.8	1,859	232.5	282.5	8,775	r84.0	18,189	5,179	9,859	921
March ..	r2,175	1,259	19.1	2,048	262.6	326.3	10,336	r82.8	17,492	5,937	11,057	1,035
April ..	r1,433	1,269	19.8	1,949	240.6	321.8	9,187	r97.9	17,296	5,652	10,875	1,037
May ..	r2,285	1,495	24.9	2,285	271.1	333.3	9,700	r82.3	17,523	5,598	11,352	1,110
June ..	r2,141	1,441	25.9	2,266	279.2	330.6	7,564	r84.7	15,852	5,791	9,894	1,128
<b>1961-62 p—</b>												
July ..	r2,232	1,482	28.5	2,408	293.4	351.7	7,893	r88.6	18,360	5,600	12,455	1,202
August ..	r2,378	1,575	27.3	2,388	291.6	338.0	7,955	r97.4	18,278	6,422	12,196	1,105
September ..	r2,171	1,361	23.6	2,156	271.4	339.2	7,663	r90.7	17,552	6,594	12,990	1,111
October ..	r2,305	1,369	21.2	2,132	251.9	337.6	8,011	r100.9	15,199	5,019	12,653	1,240
November ..	r2,292	1,415	20.0	2,094	233.0	311.4	7,299	r90.2	15,300	3,945	12,029	1,197
December ..	r1,646	1,206	18.8	2,002	293.4	347.7	8,029	r94.2	19,865	3,114	12,702	1,204
January ..	1,223	1,241	17.7	2,017	299.2	338.6	9,803	82.7	20,608	4,576	11,588	n.a.
February ..	2,082	1,267	17.2	1,986	268.7	308.2	8,048	82.8	17,864	4,672	11,115	n.a.
March ..	2,269	1,432	19.4	2,195	302.4	346.2	11,608	88.6	19,903	5,762	13,595	n.a.
April ..	1,536	1,265	20.3	2,109	298.1	354.3	11,255	74.6	23,365	4,917	14,657	n.a.
May ..	2,184	1,578	26.0	2,515	296.2	358.9	11,287	87.1	22,940	6,670	14,786	n.a.
June ..	2,115	1,538	26.3	2,448	275.3	326.7	14,191	94.0	21,350	6,490	12,975	n.a.
<b>1962-63 p—</b>												
July ..	2,320	1,636	28.4	2,628	292.6	357.8	16,193	95.5	24,655	7,324	14,423	n.a.
August ..	r2,385	1,659	27.7	2,647	286.3	352.9	17,843	95.9	21,695	8,740	15,685	n.a.
September ..	2,052	1,473	23.3	2,339	262.8	339.7	16,711	95.9	23,975	7,794	14,924	n.a.
October ..	r2,410	1,502	23.3	2,435	281.3	360.6	17,051	91.3	23,713	8,127	15,400	n.a.
November ..	2,336	1,402	19.9	r2,298	275.2	363.9	18,132	86.8	23,090	7,809	13,638	n.a.
December ..	r1,537	1,144	18.7	2,200	294.8	353.7	18,853	93.5	20,078	6,120	r15,141	n.a.
January ..			17.6	2,201	293.3	358.7	19,463		26,959		15,110	n.a.

(a) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) Gold content of minerals produced in Australia. (d) Includes lead content of antimonial lead and of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (e) Refined slab; includes small quantities of metal recovered from zinc dust used in works. (f) 1 Therm = 100,000 British Thermal Units. (g) Monthly averages for twelve months ended May.

# PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS, BUILDING FITTINGS AND FLOOR COVERINGS

Period.	Building Materials.								Building Fittings.			Floor Coverings. <i>(b)</i>
	Clay Bricks.	Roofing Tiles.		Cement Building Sheets.	Sawn Native Timber. (a)	Port-land Cement.	Fibrous Plaster Sheets.	Hard-board.	Baths—C.I.P.E. and Other Metal.	Wash Basins—C.I.P.E. and Earthen-ware.	Sinks—Stainless Steel.	
		Terra-cotta.	Cement.									
	Million.	'000.	'000.	'000 sq. yds.	Million sup. ft.	'000 tons.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq. yds.
Monthly Average—							(c)					
1952–53 ..	55.6	4,831	3,911	2,021	111.7	120	1,285	1,013	6,198	9,251	11,698	624
1953–54 ..	66.8	5,315	3,721	2,173	116.7	142	1,349	1,416	8,137	10,297	13,176	936
1954–55 ..	69.9	5,328	4,477	2,340	120.8	160	1,482	1,653	10,873	12,775	15,585	773
1955–56 ..	70.0	5,396	4,482	2,223	120.8	170	1,510	1,885	9,927	11,766	13,832	827
1956–57 ..	67.1	4,806	3,716	2,120	118.2	181	1,355	1,871	8,742	11,500	13,174	936
1957–58 ..	73.2	4,911	4,122	2,169	115.9	191	1,458	2,036	9,476	12,648	14,740	984
1958–59 ..	78.3	4,936	4,355	2,237	121.7	207	1,528	2,418	10,136	13,217	15,384	1,066
1959–60 ..	85.8	4,739	4,741	2,536	126.8	219	1,550	2,637	10,429	14,094	16,240	1,304
1960–61 ..	88.4	4,599	4,388	2,462	118.3	238	1,431	2,590	9,719	13,700	16,460	1,141
1961–62 p ..	82.0	4,199	4,447	2,254	109.5	232	1,217	2,407	9,190	r13,320	14,512	1,094
Monthly Total—												
1960–61 p—												
December ..	78.9	3,863	4,124	1,911	111.2	218	1,207	2,087	9,068	12,583	14,170	1,171
January ..	65.1	2,917	3,369	1,532	85.0	193	1,087	1,799	6,813	10,703	10,560	615
February ..	85.0	4,807	4,039	2,421	101.6	228	1,351	2,570	8,950	12,371	12,765	1,143
March ..	91.6	4,840	3,884	2,128	107.7	256	1,365	2,696	9,152	14,195	13,464	1,110
April ..	75.6	4,241	3,297	1,954	94.0	231	1,198	2,083	8,141	11,606	12,423	844
May ..	93.1	5,158	4,178	2,366	105.7	251	1,332	2,307	10,123	13,597	16,453	840
June ..	83.7	4,366	3,862	2,100	117.6	243	1,286	2,197	9,136	13,172	14,719	907
1961–62 p—												
July ..	84.8	4,426	4,038	2,406	105.6	242	1,217	2,492	8,632	13,654	13,963	r749
August ..	91.3	4,728	4,928	2,575	118.1	249	1,280	2,673	10,420	13,194	17,344	r955
September ..	86.7	4,169	4,663	2,539	112.2	239	1,161	2,776	9,442	13,499	16,094	1,256
October ..	86.3	4,401	4,475	2,220	119.8	244	1,253	2,438	10,154	13,447	17,014	1,056
November ..	82.8	4,550	4,572	2,397	118.4	229	1,313	2,662	10,095	14,880	19,040	1,149
December ..	64.2	3,373	3,497	1,813	99.1	207	982	1,728	6,703	12,521	14,077	987
January ..	53.7	2,886	3,482	1,559	80.9	175	951	1,711	6,966	9,008	10,214	610
February ..	80.4	4,292	4,031	2,097	100.3	207	1,275	2,360	9,884	13,182	12,340	1,211
March ..	92.2	4,292	4,956	2,636	119.4	244	1,353	2,445	10,054	15,142	13,229	1,443
April ..	78.6	3,953	4,052	1,876	101.2	237	1,141	1,902	8,003	11,632	10,907	942
May ..	95.8	4,845	5,371	2,538	118.0	254	1,418	2,919	10,915	14,537	15,540	1,366
June ..	86.9	4,468	5,296	2,389	124.6	254	1,265	2,772	9,013	r15,138	14,386	1,407
1962–63 p—												
July ..	96.5	4,529	5,027	2,402	122.4	269	1,337	2,686	9,019	16,606	17,787	1,419
August ..	95.6	4,813	4,964	2,326	121.2	254	1,362	2,877	9,226	15,864	16,779	1,447
September ..	89.4	4,383	4,791	2,987	115.8	247	1,254	2,637	8,963	15,811	14,648	1,558
October ..	98.4	5,071	5,692	2,554	126.8	262	1,395	2,820	12,275	15,663	17,463	r1,598
November ..	97.2	4,316	5,665	r2,536	r128.2	268	1,396	3,035	11,317	16,724	17,235	r1,629
December ..	r69.8	3,528	3,975	2,059	106.9	216	1,008	2,445	7,698	11,760	11,784	r1,196
January ..	61.9					158		2,157				775

(a) Australian grown. Includes timber for sawn sleepers. Source (for 1961-62 and later periods): Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission. (b) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (c) From July, 1955, represents total production in all establishments and includes small quantities not previously recorded in some States.

# PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

Period.	Domestic Cooking Stoves.			Domestic Refrigerators.	Domestic Clothes Washing Machines.	Radios and Radio-grams.	Television Sets.(c)	Room Air Conditioners. (d)	Electric Motors.		Internal Combustion Engines—Petrol. (e)
	Solid Fuel.	Gas(a)—Upright or Elevated.	Electric—Fixed Ranges. (b)						Under 1 h.p.	1 h.p. and over.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000.	'000.	No.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>											
1952-53 ..	3,920	2,978	1,878	15,178	7,615	24,935	..	n.a.	47.2	2.9	1,377
1953-54 ..	4,198	3,587	3,098	22,874	12,188	36,581	..	n.a.	77.5	3.6	1,973
1954-55 ..	4,146	4,896	3,929	23,381	13,859	38,036	..	n.a.	93.6	5.0	3,801
1955-56 ..	3,942	4,758	3,984	20,613	13,797	38,168	220	169	87.9	5.1	8,382
1956-57 ..	3,834	4,550	4,323	16,293	12,035	30,524	10,103	282	74.9	4.7	15,042
1957-58 ..	3,603	4,663	4,588	16,327	13,675	31,729	23,536	390	88.8	5.1	15,527
1958-59 ..	3,288	5,531	5,315	18,316	15,016	31,526	26,368	1,061	105.9	5.8	24,186
1959-60 ..	3,071	6,634	6,192	19,763	16,823	33,549	36,508	3,339	131.9	8.5	24,326
1960-61 ..	2,644	6,097	5,769	18,293	16,295	37,899	26,331	5,602	145.9	9.3	15,348
1961-62 p	2,404	5,672	6,355	17,663	r19,000	30,707	24,573	r2,431	r134.6	6.8	16,830
<b>Monthly Total—</b>											
<b>1960-61 p—</b>											
December	2,157	5,994	5,910	22,117	13,839	50,160	15,401	11,474	158.1	8.4	30,999
January ..	1,302	4,077	4,438	12,438	10,021	29,275	8,958	6,008	110.5	7.2	15,814
February	1,718	6,171	5,661	10,248	13,960	36,026	11,943	2,479	126.8	9.0	10,877
March ..	2,284	5,653	5,119	9,734	15,400	25,923	16,291	1,628	113.5	9.4	4,196
April ..	2,026	4,470	4,266	7,021	13,323	15,395	16,641	700	91.6	7.4	3,778
May ..	2,578	4,742	4,590	8,788	16,497	20,944	28,147	1,379	113.7	9.1	2,595
June ..	2,419	4,879	4,554	9,863	17,203	22,418	25,630	737	104.2	7.3	4,471
<b>1961-62 p—</b>								r			
July ..	2,954	5,513	4,717	11,500	r16,829	23,727	26,525	971	105.6	7.5	11,631
August ..	3,127	6,496	5,667	17,554	r20,312	27,242	24,132	1,682	125.1	8.2	13,477
September	2,661	5,544	5,552	22,505	20,506	35,030	21,753	4,027	139.9	5.9	26,940
October ..	2,392	7,589	6,902	23,669	r19,202	37,750	18,231	4,489	152.1	6.6	38,963
November	2,106	7,400	7,470	27,943	20,948	45,960	19,191	4,819	171.7	7.6	31,554
December	1,701	5,595	5,632	20,082	15,111	34,265	15,498	3,631	128.4	5.9	13,537
January ..	1,413	4,014	3,893	16,312	13,486	20,126	12,972	3,121	113.6	5.4	11,736
February	1,787	5,264	6,371	16,465	r17,903	29,129	21,117	2,113	136.3	6.3	18,137
March ..	2,387	5,377	7,772	16,314	r21,260	30,645	27,588	1,502	r141.5	r6.7	13,598
April ..	2,248	4,933	6,724	11,066	r16,922	24,685	27,144	999	r110.3	5.7	7,612
May ..	3,244	5,246	8,293	14,555	24,331	29,521	41,860	829	r147.7	8.1	4,457
June ..	2,823	5,093	7,262	13,995	21,188	30,401	38,871	994	r143.2	7.3	10,321
<b>1962-63 p—</b>											
July ..	2,990	5,551	8,473	17,290	20,407	31,013	37,387	637	r140.4	5.7	18,102
August ..	3,025	5,656	8,080	23,040	21,346	37,889	31,218	528	r157.1	7.8	23,887
September	2,553	5,673	7,826	21,682	19,784	41,879	21,231	1,236	174.8	6.3	34,848
October ..	2,467	8,172	10,177	27,307	19,244	48,785	23,567	1,357	178.9	7.7	39,924
November	2,409	7,024	9,998	23,593	17,857	68,418	r25,510	1,541	190.1	9.0	31,977
December	1,906	5,531	8,014	15,537	13,061	48,124	r17,660	1,195	r124.1	6.3	22,585
January ..				14,233	12,318	38,057	16,185		107.9	5.0	20,564

(a) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges with oven. (b) Having at least one hot plate and at least one oven separately heated with a total rating in excess of ten amperes but not more than fifteen kilowatts. Includes wall ovens. (c) Includes combinations with radio and/or record player. (d) Includes package unit air conditioners. (e) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc. and marine engines.



# PRODUCTION OF FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO

Period.	Wheaten Flour.	Refined Sugar. (a)	Whole Milk for all Pur- poses.	Dairy Products (Factory Production).			Meat (carcass weight).				Beer. (b)	Tobacco Cigars and Cigar- ettes. (c)
				Butter.	Cheese.	Pro- cessed Full Cream Milk Products.	Beef and Veal.	Mutton.	Lamb.	Pigmeat.		
	'000 short tons.	'000 tons.	Million gals.	Tons.	Tons.	'000 gals.(d)	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 gals.	'000 lb.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>												
1952-53 ..	143.9	36.7	101.3	13,632	3,883	6,971	56.2	20.8	12.2	6.9	16,029	3,028
1953-54 ..	134.1	37.4	99.1	13,009	4,087	6,333	58.7	19.8	10.6	7.0	17,380	3,487
1954-55 ..	129.4	40.1	110.5	15,667	3,765	5,363	60.0	20.0	12.3	8.3	18,473	3,706
1955-56 ..	130.9	41.0	116.8	17,149	3,223	5,944	62.6	19.5	12.1	7.8	18,958	3,842
1956-57 ..	136.0	40.0	113.2	15,820	3,764	6,510	67.9	18.6	11.9	7.4	18,394	4,129
1957-58 ..	110.1	41.1	105.4	14,410	2,991	6,655	65.9	22.5	12.6	8.5	18,871	4,255
1958-59 ..	113.9	43.2	114.2	15,910	3,619	6,756	75.5	25.9	15.1	8.8	18,633	4,371
1959-60 ..	125.6	45.0	117.2	16,251	3,730	6,886	62.7	30.9	16.9	8.6	19,306	4,563
1960-61 ..	130.3	43.8	111.6	14,934	3,900	6,385	52.7	30.6	17.2	9.0	19,701	4,853
1961-62 ..	p126.0	p45.9	p120.8	p16,459	p4,604	p6,890	65.9	r30.7	r18.2	r10.0	p20,624	p4,626
<b>Monthly Total—</b>												
1960-61—	p										p	p
November ..	143.1	47.2	163.1	24,073	6,203	10,771	42.3	34.6	23.8	9.1	23,859	5,016
December ..	113.3	42.3	157.7	23,541	5,611	9,114	40.4	34.1	19.1	9.8	24,069	5,398
January ..	122.2	42.1	133.8	19,252	4,434	7,469	42.4	31.8	16.0	8.1	23,121	4,180
February ..	128.1	40.4	102.4	13,507	3,222	5,835	45.4	33.2	14.9	8.5	20,356	4,430
March ..	129.5	43.7	102.3	13,384	2,949	5,408	53.2	35.1	15.7	9.7	21,354	4,668
April ..	113.6	40.1	79.7	9,362	2,166	3,885	50.4	29.1	13.6	8.8	17,898	4,280
May ..	144.3	44.2	76.0	8,431	2,323	3,848	69.2	30.9	14.4	9.7	17,399	4,740
June ..	131.6	39.2	69.8	7,155	2,506	3,410	79.1	29.0	15.1	9.2	15,850	4,362
1961-62—	p	p	p	p	p	p	r	r	r	r		
July ..	128.3	44.8	79.3	8,710	3,073	4,338	70.7	26.3	15.4	9.1	17,307	4,378
August ..	148.3	48.3	110.0	13,981	4,817	6,971	68.0	27.2	17.6	9.5	19,157	5,268
September ..	129.9	47.0	144.2	20,236	6,326	9,452	62.3	29.9	20.4	10.1	20,097	4,248
October ..	120.4	56.0	178.9	26,559	7,696	11,156	57.4	34.9	24.6	10.2	24,170	4,806
November ..	128.5	38.6	178.7	26,886	7,317	10,644	59.9	35.4	22.6	11.0	25,577	5,002
December ..	103.6	48.7	169.6	25,560	6,440	10,012	54.7	32.3	18.6	10.3	24,849	4,946
January ..	122.9	45.7	151.6	22,506	5,417	8,435	59.9	32.2	17.7	9.3	22,004	4,388
February ..	132.1	46.7	118.6	16,629	3,955	6,252	59.8	32.2	16.4	9.6	18,651	4,536
March ..	131.5	50.9	104.0	13,612	3,197	5,136	67.3	33.9	17.1	10.6	20,732	4,465
April ..	99.4	41.7	80.8	9,564	2,396	3,718	61.7	27.0	15.5	9.8	19,156	4,359
May ..	142.8	46.7	69.0	7,047	2,192	3,318	83.4	31.5	17.4	11.5	19,874	4,802
June ..	124.5	38.9	65.1	6,215	2,423	3,244	85.9	25.0	15.5	9.4	15,920	4,315
1962-63 p—												
July ..	124.2	43.7	81.6	8,974	3,327	4,474	82.3	26.1	15.8	9.5	18,685	4,588
August ..	133.0	50.7	114.7	14,721	5,155	7,181	87.2	27.3	16.4	10.3	20,392	5,146
September ..	116.5	50.1	142.4	19,358	6,606	9,481	77.2	30.4	20.0	9.1	20,281	3,816
October ..	128.5	54.2	178.4	26,213	7,854	11,470	70.7	33.9	27.1	10.9	25,268	5,214
November ..	r123.2	63.4	174.4	25,680	7,454	11,058	72.3	35.6	25.5	10.8	24,748	5,079
December ..	100.2	39.3	167.1	24,638	6,669	10,651	61.4	31.9	22.0	9.9	26,028	4,669
January ..		43.8									23,347	4,561

(a) Monthly averages are for the twelve months ended March and the monthly totals are those recorded by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Production in 1961-62 and later periods is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise. From July, 1961, includes waste beer. (c) From July, 1961, represents the quantity on which excise duty was paid. (d) Whole milk equivalent.

# PRODUCTION OF CHEMICALS, MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES

Period.	Chemicals and Allied Products.						Motor Vehicle Bodies.(a)		Motor Vehicle Chassis.		Pneumatic Tyres—Motor Cycle, Car, Truck, Aero., etc.(e)
	Sulphuric Acid (100%).	Super-phosphate. (b)	Sulphate of Ammonia. (c)	Paints.		Soap.	Cars.	Utilities.	Car.(d)	Commercial Payload of One Ton and over.	
				Ready-mixed Paints and Enamels.	Lacquers, Nitro-cellulose.						
	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 gals.	'000 gals.	'000 cwt.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000.
Monthly Average—											
1952-53 ..	52.3	132	5.85	534	84	101	4,173	1,745	8,677	1,011	141
1953-54 ..	61.0	148	5.90	657	109	104	5,514	2,088	12,173	1,103	241
1954-55 ..	69.6	163	6.54	812	123	108	6,002	2,245	15,295	1,422	293
1955-56 ..	74.7	177	6.28	890	125	109	6,391	1,969	16,736	1,775	303
1956-57 ..	73.2	165	9.24	906	121	103	6,230	1,804	14,850	1,308	287
1957-58 ..	82.6	185	9.89	924	130	109	8,129	2,370	18,643	1,293	317
1958-59 ..	82.2	177	9.79	951	133	104	(f)9,846	2,282	18,774	1,316	328
1959-60 ..	89.3	198	8.74	1,002	150	105	12,546	2,318	22,780	1,627	352
1960-61 ..	93.5	211	8.25	991	114	104	13,347	2,277	22,846	1,544	364
1961-62 p ..	94.7	216	8.81	r1,030	r107	98	12,735	1,892	20,140	1,198	333
Monthly Total—											
1960-61 p—											
December	90.9	190	8.56	989	113	99	12,562	1,721	21,391	1,587	314
January ..	91.2	193	8.13	722	64	66	10,694	1,706	16,932	1,285	259
February	95.0	214	7.49	995	116	95	12,995	2,143	20,936	1,503	369
March ..	106.2	269	7.96	951	119	117	11,625	2,926	19,928	1,335	372
April ..	111.0	261	8.55	778	84	103	8,936	1,788	15,869	1,491	306
May ..	110.2	269	8.46	969	106	119	12,240	1,998	20,083	1,378	375
June ..	94.4	223	7.87	800	91	102	10,028	2,189	16,429	1,091	335
1961-62 p—				r	r						
July ..	84.7	172	10.25	836	94	101	10,148	1,891	16,272	1,101	334
August ..	92.0	220	8.73	1,000	102	96	9,857	1,564	16,246	1,171	326
September	93.9	215	9.22	1,046	95	94	8,330	1,248	16,321	980	319
October ..	83.8	193	9.53	1,170	108	104	11,840	1,532	19,325	1,139	334
November	73.2	148	7.92	1,313	121	120	15,289	1,835	22,241	1,240	363
December	85.4	166	9.73	1,003	97	87	10,753	1,432	16,470	885	251
January ..	88.4	201	8.37	765	80	67	10,396	1,504	15,623	911	245
February	103.7	251	7.45	1,063	121	93	14,358	2,243	21,641	1,197	345
March ..	110.7	250	8.89	1,139	124	99	16,073	2,407	25,008	1,423	369
April ..	113.3	257	8.14	929	108	96	13,802	1,871	21,347	1,292	309
May ..	106.7	273	9.27	1,120	129	108	18,324	2,655	28,497	1,601	422
June ..	100.7	246	8.27	971	110	110	13,652	2,520	22,688	1,437	384
1962-63p—											
July ..	97.3	201	10.03	1,015	111	114	16,587	2,437	27,644	1,554	439
August ..	96.0	215	9.70	1,052	118	r93	21,044	1,898	31,244	1,638	454
September	100.1	222	8.94	1,040	124	90	20,380	1,671	29,159	1,556	418
October ..	100.3	240	7.27	1,245	145	r110	21,760	1,804	32,878	1,597	463
November	r98.0	213	6.51	1,323	133	106	22,069	1,648	32,937	1,599	449
December	100.7	r211	8.14	990	99	84	16,632	899	23,963	1,395	323
January ..	103.9	246	7.71				16,428		24,399	1,515	

(a) Excludes those made, built or assembled wholly or mainly from imported panels.

(b) Source: Department of Primary Industry.

(c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilizers Pty. Ltd. from July, 1961.

(d) Includes station wagons, estate cars, utilities, panel vans and similar commercial vehicles with a payload of under one ton.

(e) Source: Department of Supply.

(f) From July, 1958, includes station wagons.

# WOOL RECEIVALS AND PRODUCTION OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Period.	Wool Received into Brokers' Stores. (a)	Scoured and Carbonized Wool.	Yarn.(b)		Woven Cloth.(b)				Blankets.	Hosiery.	
			Cotton.	Wool.	Cotton. (c)	Wool. (d)	Rayon.	Synthetic Fibre.		Men's. (e)	Womens—Full Length.
	'000 bales.	Million lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000.	'000 doz. pairs.	'000 doz. pairs.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>											
1952-53 ..	320.9	10.3	2,301	2,967	2,056	2,450	1,398	..	78	131	156
1953-54 ..	317.0	11.4	3,175	3,829	2,678	2,919	1,840	..	100	158	179
1954-55 ..	327.2	11.4	3,458	3,557	2,753	2,589	1,348	14	128	139	202
1955-56 ..	354.6	12.1	3,379	3,601	3,222	2,523	1,439	164	138	130	192
1956-57 ..	405.6	13.8	3,498	3,975	3,856	2,732	2,025	256	140	121	214
1957-58 ..	362.7	12.8	3,720	3,801	3,695	2,643	1,924	313	155	123	185
1958-59 ..	394.6	13.2	3,544	3,381	3,524	2,272	1,476	516	142	109	205
1959-60 ..	410.5	14.6	3,868	4,213	3,594	2,520	1,484	616	161	130	212
1960-61 ..	392.9	12.8	3,407	4,039	3,641	2,205	1,729	837	159	113	218
1961-62p ..	399.9	13.6	3,565	r3,860	3,683	2,086	1,706	1,134	141	118	237
<b>Monthly Total—</b>											
<b>1960-61 p—</b>											
December	283.3	12.8	2,993	3,452	3,118	1,983	1,604	630	117	87	196
January ..	128.8	10.6	2,952	2,968	3,296	1,638	1,479	580	90	64	146
February	163.2	13.6	3,483	4,070	3,793	2,346	1,739	820	163	105	210
March ..	280.2	13.4	3,705	4,149	3,739	2,388	1,685	818	188	110	220
April ..	215.5	11.3	2,722	3,185	3,069	1,777	1,664	804	145	74	155
May ..	242.7	13.5	2,931	3,798	3,270	1,883	1,668	987	187	94	214
June ..	156.4	13.4	2,666	3,125	3,176	1,612	1,879	1,023	166	81	186
<b>1961-62 p—</b>											
July ..	310.9	12.4	2,673	2,853	3,196	1,561	1,494	737	126	90	190
August ..	601.2	12.4	3,107	r3,535	3,102	1,982	1,725	938	141	119	222
September	924.9	11.9	3,105	r3,418	3,273	2,105	1,699	932	116	125	247
October ..	903.7	13.6	3,462	r3,733	3,698	2,162	1,643	924	134	130	263
November	570.9	15.6	3,972	r4,108	4,040	2,423	1,769	1,112	137	143	260
December	243.1	12.6	2,925	r2,957	2,882	1,788	1,503	812	88	93	194
January ..	126.0	12.4	3,159	r3,299	3,403	1,811	1,315	872	94	72	180
February	182.4	13.8	3,732	r4,343	3,901	2,402	1,656	1,204	153	113	229
March ..	292.7	14.4	3,963	r4,632	4,000	2,496	1,781	1,363	169	133	260
April ..	262.5	12.3	3,673	3,879	3,794	1,937	1,691	1,321	147	111	218
May ..	222.0	16.3	4,699	r5,051	4,335	2,324	2,053	1,619	211	145	294
June ..	158.3	15.4	4,311	r4,506	4,574	2,045	2,136	1,772	175	138	282
<b>1962-63 p—</b>											
July ..	348.3	13.8	4,676	r4,556	5,020	2,219	1,859	1,565	142	153	301
August ..	574.9	13.0	4,514	r4,596	4,511	2,418	1,958	1,699	139	170	319
September	794.5	11.7	4,305	r4,204	4,310	2,248	1,965	1,728	161	163	298
October ..	846.9	14.6	4,650	5,043	4,666	3,003	2,145	1,696	179	174	331
November	589.9	r13.9	3,974	4,729	r4,035	r2,751	2,258	1,458	152	147	294
December	228.3	11.4	3,031	3,453	2,890	r2,022	1,708	1,070	100	101	222
January ..	130.1		2,842	3,511	2,916	2,099	1,676	959	99		

(a) First hand receipts as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers.  
the fibre named.  
July, 1956.

(c) Excludes towels and towelling.

(d) Excludes blanketing and rug material.

(b) Includes mixtures predominantly of  
(e) Includes boys' prior to

# PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING (continued) AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

Period.	Men's and Youths'—			Shirts, Men's and Boys'.	Underwear.		Boots, Shoes and Sandals (not Rubber). (b)	Mat- tresses, Inner Spring.	Lawn Mowers, Petrol.	Motor Spirit. (c)	Plastics and Synthetic Resins. (d)	News- print.
	Short Length Coats and Jackets.		Sports Trous- ers.		Men's, Youths', and Boys'.	Women's Maids' and Girls'.						
	Suit.(a)	Other.(a)										
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 pairs.	'000.	No.	Million gals.	'000 cwt.	Tons.
Monthly Average—												
1952-53 ..	57.0	55.0	168.0	73	94	174	1,498	27.5	468	8.8	22.5	2,834
1953-54 ..	62.0	70.0	204.0	103	121	224	1,706	34.9	821	15.2	37.7	5,034
1954-55 ..	61.0	70.0	204.0	118	120	235	1,657	39.7	2,452	34.0	44.7	6,134
1955-56 ..	63.1	67.2	223.4	109	130	234	1,651	41.8	6,563	49.8	55.6	6,585
1956-57 ..	59.8	66.9	213.4	119	140	244	1,745	42.3	13,438	68.1	71.3	6,633
1957-58 ..	60.6	63.3	216.0	128	151	238	1,782	47.4	12,271	74.1	75.0	6,757
1958-59 ..	p60.7	p62.2	p226.2	135	154	248	2,005	48.4	20,747	77.9	72.8	6,923
1959-60 ..	p64.7	p75.7	p271.7	153	157	265	2,136	51.6	20,560	88.4	99.1	7,376
1960-61 ..	p66.8	p70.2	p302.7	152	160	281	2,026	49.5	16,608	95.8	87.8	7,336
1961-62 p ..	68.7	56.6	304.6	137	173	280	2,083	52.8	r16,816	101.3	r111.2	7,480
Monthly Total—												
1960-61 p—												
December ..	66.5	58.7	307.3	128	145	268	1,677	52.8	34,674	114.5	97.2	5,935
January ..	34.5	36.5	181.1	74	104	166	1,220	36.5	23,073	100.0	78.7	7,693
February ..	64.7	71.5	288.4	123	171	283	1,791	49.7	12,610	81.8	80.9	7,107
March ..	66.2	87.0	314.8	135	167	278	2,068	52.3	4,138	95.4	71.6	6,309
April ..	63.0	70.7	242.5	107	113	221	1,658	41.1	2,885	94.5	66.3	7,215
May ..	66.0	77.4	288.9	140	138	277	1,995	50.9	2,937	103.1	64.8	7,024
June ..	61.6	46.1	236.5	131	120	252	1,784	43.4	1,400	91.1	67.4	7,619
1961-62 p—												
July ..	62.8	42.2	246.4	132	139	260	1,994	47.5	5,589	97.0	r83.8	7,831
August ..	73.7	54.2	327.9	163	165	303	2,395	53.4	12,554	109.9	100.9	7,917
September ..	72.8	54.3	342.3	156	167	286	2,282	49.1	25,442	98.5	r98.7	7,708
October ..	76.0	64.9	353.0	164	186	332	2,491	57.0	42,650	107.9	99.8	7,878
November ..	79.2	66.5	393.4	170	199	328	2,590	59.7	38,300	101.2	113.5	7,592
December ..	63.7	51.9	296.0	116	151	249	1,637	54.6	18,044	106.0	r104.7	5,655
January ..	39.4	30.2	198.0	82	125	206	1,405	44.6	15,966	101.2	101.8	7,464
February ..	69.3	58.5	281.8	126	182	285	1,923	55.0	19,383	84.8	r120.9	6,887
March ..	75.4	66.2	318.4	121	195	277	2,101	57.6	12,148	94.5	r129.8	7,830
April ..	67.5	62.5	256.8	107	152	235	1,807	48.8	4,425	101.9	r123.3	7,492
May ..	79.0	68.1	340.2	155	216	303	2,340	57.8	3,782	112.1	r125.1	7,924
June ..	65.1	59.5	300.9	153	200	290	2,034	49.1	2,501	100.2	r132.5	7,580
1962-63 p—												
July ..	78.8	52.8	324.2	169	203	316	2,375	51.6	7,641	102.8	124.9	7,594
August ..	82.4	47.6	396.1	196	218	328	2,816	56.6	15,916	96.9	r135.2	7,548
September ..	74.1	51.4	364.9	179	184	315	2,481	50.5	29,966	107.4	153.0	7,191
October ..	85.9	58.4	434.9	202	195	341	r2,679	58.1	36,166	106.1	r150.0	7,914
November ..	93.6	55.8	425.5	193	207	306	r2,434	58.8	39,911	106.3	147.2	7,474
December ..	68.4	44.9	310.7	133	165	263	1,595	53.4	22,475	104.5	122.1	5,868
January ..									19,205			7,524

(a) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats. (b) Includes Infants' Soft Soled Nursery, prior to July, 1956. (c) Source: Department of National Development. (d) Liquid resin or emulsion form are shown in terms of dry weight of resin content.

# INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly.

Source: *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.

(Base: 1958 = 100.)

Period.	Belgium. (a)	Canada. (a)	France. (a)	Germany West. (a)	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Norway. (a)	Sweden. (a) (b)	United King- dom. (a) (c)	U.S.A. (a)
1955 .. ..	100	92	80	85	84	69	93	91	92	99	103
1956 .. ..	106	100	88	92	90	86	98	95	96	99	107
1957 .. ..	106	101	96	97	96	99	100	100	98	101	107
<b>1958 .. ..</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
1959 .. ..	104	108	104	107	111	124	109	106	104	105	113
1960 .. ..	111	108	116	119	128	156	124	117	111	112	116
1961 .. ..	116	112	122	126	142	189	125	r125	116	114	117
1961—											
January ..	84	104	122	119	132	161	124	118	120	112	110
February ..	118	108	124	122	130	175	115	124	123	117	111
March ..	121	107	123	126	147	194	135	122	123	118	112
April ..	121	108	125	130	r134	r177	122	r126	122	115	115
May ..	123	111	130	130	r146	r182	127	r115	120	114	116
June ..	122	116	128	127	r138	r185	131	r131	120	118	119
July ..	101	109	112	118	r148	r187	118	r85	61	111	114
August ..	112	112	85	115	r116	r186	120	r126	112	96	120
September ..	118	118	121	128	r151	r189	124	r135	117	117	121
October ..	122	119	128	132	r156	r195	135	r136	124	118	125
November ..	125	120	136	139	r154	r195	132	r144	128	119	124
December ..	119	112	134	133	r148	r204	118	r126	123	112	122
1962—											
January ..	118	113	130	122	154	191	128	128	122	111	121
February ..	122	118	134	127	148	202	r120	136	122	118	124
March ..	121	118	132	126	162	220	r134	138	123	121	126
April ..	124	117	137	135	150	201	124	122	126	114	126
May ..	125	122	138	135	164	203	138	128	124	120	126
June ..	124	126	136	136	148	201	r131	135	120	117	128
July ..	109	118	124	123	162	196	125	89	61	109	122
August ..	118	119	90	122	127	194	128	131	115	100	126
September ..	124	126	132	r137	157	199	r128	140	122	120	130
October ..	124	127	138	138	168	197	147	144	123	120	131
November ..			145	148	166	197		145		122	128

(a) Adjusted for number of working days.

(b) Excludes electricity and manufactured gas.

(c) Includes construction.

# MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(Excluding Defence Service Vehicles.)

Period.	Motor Vehicles on Register at end of period.(a)			New Motor Vehicles Registered during period.(b)		
	Motor Cars.(c)	Commercial Vehicles, etc.(c)	Motor Cycles.	Motor Cars and Station Wagons.	Other Motor Vehicles.	Motor Cycles
	'000.	'000.	'000.	Monthly Averages.		
1952-53 .. ..	(d) 1,103	(d) 584	(d) 148	(e) 7,659	(f) 4,228	n.a.
1953-54 .. ..	1,195	612	141	(e) 10,297	(f) 4,687	892
1954-55 .. ..	1,342	655	133	(e) 13,581	(f) 5,580	939
1955-56 .. ..	1,467	683	126	13,472	5,625	868
1956-57 .. ..	1,564	707	120	12,271	4,831	800
1957-58 .. ..	1,676	735	116	13,847	5,148	869
1958-59 .. ..	1,783	766	111	14,693	5,528	836
1959-60 .. ..	1,924	807	102	18,671	5,757	807
1960-61 .. ..	2,065	843	93	18,595	4,931	656
1961-62 .. ..	2,185	869	85	17,994	4,343	443
				Monthly Totals.		
1960-61—						
December ..	2,025	838	99	17,607	4,779	671
January ..	2,028	835	98	12,704	3,556	683
February ..	2,034	837	97	12,905	4,090	751
March ..	2,044	839	97	19,013	4,657	729
April ..	2,050	841	95	14,755	4,132	500
May ..	2,059	843	94	16,342	4,741	581
June ..	2,065	843	93	14,156	4,217	406
1961-62—						
July ..	2,069	842	92	13,620	3,751	401
August ..	2,080	843	91	16,096	3,924	427
September ..	2,082	844	90	15,735	3,790	384
October ..	2,095	842	90	17,848	4,362	433
November ..	2,105	846	89	18,383	4,413	401
December ..	2,117	849	89	16,575	3,975	407
January ..	2,127	851	88	15,759	3,775	468
February ..	2,137	858	88	17,988	4,240	529
March ..	2,148	861	88	21,212	5,077	530
April ..	2,158	862	87	17,665	4,428	447
May ..	2,173	866	86	21,908	5,465	464
June ..	2,185	868	85	23,137	4,921	423
1962-63—						
July ..	2,203	871	84	23,703	5,168	466
August ..	2,216	873	83	25,624	4,874	407
September ..	2,228	875	83	23,317	4,177	408
October ..	2,243	878	82	26,547	5,123	426
November ..	2,267	885	82	27,086	5,122	432
December ..				22,843	4,087	414
January ..				21,926	3,761	501

(a) Prior to January, 1956, Department of Navy vehicles were included. (b) This series is not strictly comparable with the "on Register" series. (c) Registration in Victoria is according to purpose of use and not type of vehicle; consequently motor car registrations are overstated by the inclusion of commercial vehicles registered for private use. Prior to 12th November, 1951, primary producers' private cars registered in Victoria were included in commercial vehicle registrations. (d) Excludes the Northern Territory. (e) Includes ambulances and hearses. (f) Excludes ambulances and hearses.



# GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS: OPERATIONS AND REVENUE

Period.	Revenue Train-miles.	Goods and Livestock.		Passenger- journeys.	Earnings.	
		Tons Carried.	Net Ton- miles.(a)		Gross.	Net.
	'000.	'000.	Million.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.
<b>Monthly Average—</b>						
1952-53 .. ..	7,394	3,644	547.8	41,468	12,903	—560
1953-54 .. ..	7,789	3,880	579.4	42,557	14,155	140
1954-55 .. ..	7,896	3,951	608.0	43,071	14,498	126
1955-56 .. ..	8,020	3,875	606.1	42,895	14,762	—646
1956-57 .. ..	7,924	3,956	614.1	41,543	15,608	—419
1957-58 .. ..	7,524	3,771	565.5	39,702	14,845	—691
1958-59 .. ..	7,607	4,003	607.5	38,916	15,345	—67
1959-60 .. ..	7,722	4,264	663.5	38,392	16,180	6
1960-61 .. ..	7,752	4,614	729.1	37,072	17,352	657
1961-62(b) ..	7,746	(c)4,602	(c)731.9	38,450	17,317	615
<b>Monthly Total—(b)</b>		(c)	(c)			
1960-61—						
September ..	8,037	4,837	777.0	41,654	18,375	2,267
October ..	7,991	4,717	738.7	39,831	18,136	2,152
November ..	7,713	4,665	740.4	35,370	17,815	525
December ..	7,679	4,013	638.5	33,908	16,042	—245
January ..	7,368	3,919	653.0	38,662	16,436	903
February ..	7,113	4,506	727.6	41,196	16,562	1,512
March ..	7,987	4,946	787.2	36,866	17,994	1,668
April ..	7,333	4,093	682.9	35,551	15,885	129
May ..	8,239	5,117	802.2	42,326	18,556	392
June ..	7,868	4,699	723.2	36,840	17,743	—2,982
1961-62—						
July ..	7,962	4,827	746.3	42,477	17,609	2,146
August ..	8,200	5,061	770.7	36,348	18,192	1,137
September ..	7,834	4,749	730.7	41,581	17,834	1,025
October ..	7,820	4,835	727.5	39,574	17,580	834
November ..	7,658	4,824	707.0	35,104	16,940	—338
December ..	7,357	3,994	613.7	34,280	15,561	—756
January ..	7,494	3,950	648.6	37,882	16,318	144
February ..	7,327	4,519	753.8	41,672	16,877	1,556
March ..	7,835	4,740	791.3	37,502	17,411	918
April ..	7,355	4,127	691.1	36,939	16,352	586
May ..	8,242	5,022	833.7	39,775	18,753	1,240
June ..	7,866	4,581	768.6	38,268	18,379	—1,110
1962-63—						
July ..	7,984	4,895	788.6	43,067	18,031	2,397
August ..	8,009	4,978	778.1	36,616	18,059	1,442
September ..	7,568	4,396	710.1	41,038	17,074	1,131
October ..	8,037	4,937	787.3	39,100	18,478	1,900

(a) Partly estimated. (b) Prepared from monthly railway returns and not strictly comparable with annual figures above, which include certain details not available on a monthly basis and which exclude government grants from Net Earnings. (c) Excludes South Brisbane-Border section of Uniform Gauge Railway.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

# SHIPPING CARGOES

NOTE.—Part of the cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately. "1 ton measurement" equals 40 cubic feet.

Period.				Oversea Cargo.				Interstate Cargo Shipped.	
				Shipped from Australian Ports.		Discharged at Australian Ports.			
				'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measurement.	'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measurement.	'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measurement.
Monthly Average—									
1952-53	..	..	..	504	121	644	161	704	106
1953-54	..	..	..	479	113	711	234	758	128
1954-55	..	..	..	507	118	916	284	851	123
1955-56	..	..	..	555	129	1,036	285	969	111
1956-57	..	..	..	728	115	1,050	229	992	107
1957-58	..	..	..	614	124	1,143	243	1,051	96
1958-59	..	..	..	720	122	1,186	222	1,030	88
1959-60	..	..	..	843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960-61	..	..	..	1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961-62	..	..	..	1,433	128	1,460	230	1,138	99
Monthly Total—									
1960-61—									
November	..	..	..	991	106	1,531	305	1,088	129
December	..	..	..	990	128	1,370	501	1,125	125
January	..	..	..	1,113	80	1,408	302	1,180	99
February	..	..	..	1,210	107	1,312	354	1,086	125
March	..	..	..	1,474	117	1,426	295	1,254	118
April	..	..	..	1,360	181	1,424	247	1,167	103
May	..	..	..	1,507	211	1,437	188	1,125	130
June	..	..	..	1,400	169	1,522	222	1,226	100
1961-62—									
July	..	..	..	1,419	113	1,368	196	1,163	90
August	..	..	..	1,404	95	1,553	222	1,097	106
September	..	..	..	1,597	129	1,658	204	1,175	97
October	..	..	..	1,368	104	1,405	248	1,190	104
November	..	..	..	1,549	126	1,521	217	1,157	113
December	..	..	..	1,484	113	1,451	206	1,075	106
January	..	..	..	1,345	59	1,332	236	1,130	88
February	..	..	..	1,263	96	1,352	203	930	102
March	..	..	..	1,339	159	1,390	253	1,268	102
April	..	..	..	1,436	184	1,353	248	1,080	73
May	..	..	..	1,580	197	1,861	259	1,293	113
June	..	..	..	1,417	155	1,265	270	1,095	88
1962-63—									
July	..	..	..	1,243	89	1,582	318	1,141	94
August	..	..	..	1,167	136	1,573	325	1,182	113
September	..	..	..	1,021	127	1,342	266	1,144	108
October	..	..	..	1,029	126	1,926	347	1,206	104
November	..	..	..	1,222	126	1,456	277	1,242	97
December p	..	..	..						

# POST OFFICE ACTIVITY

Period.				Receipts of P.M.G.'s Department. (a)	Broadcast Listeners' Licences.		Television Viewers' Licences.		Telephone Services.	
					New Issues.	In force at End of Period.	New Issues.	In force at End of Period.	Lines Con- nected at End of Period.	Effective Applications. (b)
				£'000. (c)	'000. (c)	'000. (c)	'000. (c)	'000.	'000.	(c)
1952-53	..	..	..	5,367	17	1,986	..	..	985	n.a.
1953-54	..	..	..	5,650	15	2,042	..	..	1,050	10,624
1954-55	..	..	..	6,069	13	2,035	..	..	1,127	12,492
1955-56	..	..	..	6,612	13	2,089	..	..	1,207	13,734
1956-57	..	..	..	7,519	14	2,107	(d) 11	(d) 74	1,279	9,923
1957-58	..	..	..	8,065	15	2,138	19	291	1,362	11,400
1958-59	..	..	..	8,622	21	2,264	25	578	1,443	13,398
1959-60	..	..	..	10,136	13	2,283	34	955	1,514	14,056
1960-61	..	..	..	11,347	13	2,256	27	1,217	(e) 1,631	14,113
1961-62	..	..	..	11,651	11	2,220	24	1,424	(e) 1,719	17,084
1960-61—				(f)	(f)		(f)		(e)	(f)
December	..	..	..	12,196	9	2,276	22	1,121	1,600	10,909
January	..	..	..	10,548	9	2,272	20	1,138	1,603	12,193
February	..	..	..	10,681	11	2,264	18	1,149	1,608	14,173
March	..	..	..	12,191	11	2,261	21	1,164	1,614	14,667
April	..	..	..	10,905	10	2,252	20	1,175	1,619	11,852
May..	..	..	..	12,009	12	2,256	27	1,199	1,625	14,262
June..	..	..	..	12,813	12	2,256	26	1,217	1,631	13,905
1961-62—										
July	..	..	..	10,477	12	2,240	26	1,229	1,637	14,550
August	..	..	..	11,776	12	2,233	27	1,251	1,645	15,902
September	..	..	..	11,159	11	2,218	25	1,263	1,651	14,093
October	..	..	..	11,876	13	2,222	27	1,285	1,659	15,668
November	..	..	..	11,516	11	2,233	19	1,299	1,666	15,095
December	..	..	..	11,364	8	2,237	19	1,310	1,672	11,617
January	..	..	..	11,506	9	2,240	22	1,331	1,677	15,258
February	..	..	..	11,650	10	2,232	21	1,338	1,684	18,048
March	..	..	..	12,633	11	2,235	(g) 22	1,356	1,691	21,528
April	..	..	..	10,484	8	2,225	19	1,388	1,698	17,434
May..	..	..	..	12,634	12	2,221	28	1,399	1,708	22,635
June..	..	..	..	12,739	13	2,220	34	1,424	1,719	23,182
1962-63—										
July	..	..	..	11,741	13	2,223	29	1,461	1,727	24,086
August	..	..	..	12,351	14	2,221	30	1,487	1,736	24,009
September	..	..	..	10,754	14	2,220	27	1,508	1,745	20,537
October	..	..	..	13,720	14	2,228	27	1,534	1,755	23,176
November	..	..	..	12,547	13	2,229	23	1,548	1,764	21,349
December	..	..	..	12,170	9	2,225	16	1,560	1,771	16,167
January	..	..	..	13,143	21	2,244	25	1,581	1,775	21,548

(a) Actual collections. (b) Net demand for new telephone services (i.e., excluding withdrawals of applications).  
(c) Monthly average. (d) Licences were first issued in December, 1956, but did not come into force until 1st January, 1957.  
(e) Details of exchange lines are no longer available. As from July, 1960, telephone services, representing exchange lines plus half the duplex services are shown. Until the introduction of duplex services in December, 1948, statistics of exchange lines and telephone services were identical. (f) Monthly total. (g) From March, 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included.

**RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)**  
CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT)  
(£A million.)

Period.	Central Banking Business (including Note Issue Department).										
	Notes on Issue.			Statutory Reserve Deposit Accounts of Trading Banks. (b)	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Deposits of Savings Banks.	Other Liabilities (excluding Capital and Reserves).	Gold and Balances held Abroad.	Commonwealth Government Securities Redeemable in Australia.		Other Securities.
	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total.						Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes.(c)	Other.	
Average of Weekly Figures—											
1957-58 ..	45.7	343.9	389.6	328.3	25.6	218.4		461.7	125.6	293.4	59.6
1958-59 ..	47.2	348.8	396.0	259.9	24.2	232.9		411.5	139.2	278.8	51.1
1959-60 ..	52.1	361.5	413.6	280.8	19.6	246.4		442.2	196.5	232.4	46.3
1960-61 ..	57.5	370.2	427.7	294.4	18.5	138.3	130.1	365.7	223.6	303.9	43.7
1961-62 ..	59.4	368.1	427.5	217.7	31.5	151.0	182.0	492.1	190.1	235.8	39.8
1960-61—											
December(d)	64.6	388.0	452.6	282.6	14.7	142.3	113.9	333.0	289.2	299.3	38.9
January ..	62.3	373.5	435.8	296.5	22.8	138.1	110.8	316.6	293.2	300.2	38.9
February ..	57.8	367.3	425.1	303.1	23.9	136.6	118.3	309.0	284.7	298.7	39.0
March ..	56.0	368.6	424.6	307.5	17.3	133.9	122.6	302.7	267.2	307.9	39.0
April ..	58.9	369.5	428.4	301.2	15.6	132.2	113.2	322.3	208.3	315.1	39.0
May ..	59.0	364.6	423.6	277.0	20.3	131.0	199.7	427.6	163.7	324.1	39.1
June ..	57.8	363.6	421.4	260.3	17.3	132.5	200.5	440.9	145.9	326.1	39.2
1961-62—											
July ..	55.5	362.2	417.7	219.4	27.4	139.5	199.0	471.9	126.7	303.7	39.7
August ..	55.4	364.9	420.3	213.5	17.5	141.8	204.8	483.8	157.7	272.2	40.2
September ..	56.5	367.3	423.8	214.0	22.3	145.3	199.2	490.5	184.5	258.2	40.2
October ..	58.5	366.5	425.0	215.9	19.0	152.1	197.8	492.7	216.2	238.2	40.3
November ..	56.8	368.0	424.8	220.2	19.6	151.6	201.2	491.6	250.4	218.7	40.3
December(d)	65.7	382.4	448.1	223.3	16.2	148.3	196.6	499.7	270.2	211.6	40.3
January ..	63.3	370.1	433.4	227.6	25.7	153.3	196.9	510.4	227.2	205.8	40.3
February ..	61.2	364.1	425.3	231.5	19.9	153.0	201.8	514.7	187.3	194.2	40.3
March ..	58.8	366.2	425.0	235.4	18.9	156.1	184.9	506.5	189.5	193.3	39.9
April(d) ..	59.4	372.9	432.3	224.4	33.6	157.1	123.6	461.6	171.5	210.9	39.7
May ..	62.7	368.8	431.5	198.4	75.4	154.8	132.7	483.8	154.2	251.1	38.6
June ..	61.1	368.2	429.3	195.0	75.5	160.9	131.9	491.9	154.2	257.6	38.1
1962-63—											
July ..	58.9	367.6	426.5	192.4	74.4	162.1	122.6	502.3	148.7	256.1	38.1
August ..	59.4	371.0	430.4	191.8	70.9	162.8	124.8	503.9	158.6	264.0	37.9
September ..	59.0	373.8	432.8	191.8	68.2	169.7	119.7	495.0	172.7	276.6	37.6
October ..	61.1	374.4	435.5	195.8	67.3	178.3	119.9	492.7	199.1	268.6	37.6
November ..	59.9	376.1	436.0	213.9	61.0	188.2	123.3	507.9	230.3	253.6	37.6
December (d)	70.1	387.8	457.9	215.8	61.6	183.7	126.7	507.4	255.6	253.2	37.5
January ..	69.9	379.4	449.3	219.8	66.6	178.4	127.1	507.8	212.5	250.1	37.3

(a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. (b) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Special Accounts of Trading Banks. (c) Figures for periods prior to July, 1962, relate to Treasury Bills and Seasonal Securities, the latter Securities being replaced by Treasury Notes. (d) Return for fourth Wednesday not available.

**RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)**  
**RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES**  
 (£ million.)

Period.	Advances.	Period.	Advances.
<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>		<b>Average of Weekly Figure—</b>	
1952-53 .. .. .	44.9	1961-62—	
1953-54 .. .. .	43.2	August .. .. .	60.4
1954-55 .. .. .	62.3	September .. .. .	49.7
1955-56 .. .. .	73.8	October .. .. .	41.7
1956-57 .. .. .	56.6	November .. .. .	34.7
1957-58 .. .. .	33.7	December(b) .. .. .	33.3
1958-59 .. .. .	46.7	January .. .. .	72.3
1959-60 .. .. .	62.6	February .. .. .	110.3
1960-61 .. .. .	72.4	March .. .. .	101.4
1961-62 .. .. .	69.1	April(b) .. .. .	99.2
		May .. .. .	80.9
1960-61—		June .. .. .	63.7
December(b) .. .. .	34.7	1962-63—	
January .. .. .	56.7	July .. .. .	51.8
February .. .. .	88.4	August .. .. .	32.7
March .. .. .	103.3	September .. .. .	19.0
April .. .. .	115.7	October .. .. .	14.4
May .. .. .	107.0	November .. .. .	8.3
June .. .. .	89.0	December(b) .. .. .	10.6
1961-62—		January .. .. .	51.3
July .. .. .	73.5		

(a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.  
 return for fourth Wednesday.

(b) Bank exempted from furnishing a

**COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a):**  
**ADVANCES**  
 (£ million.)

Period.	Advances.		Period.	Advances.	
	Hire Purchase.	Other.		Hire Purchase.	Other.
<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>			<b>Average of Weekly Figures—</b>		
1952-53 .. .. .	14.8	12.4	1961-62—		
1953-54 .. .. .	16.6	9.3	August .. .. .	19.0	21.5
1954-55 .. .. .	17.0	11.6	September .. .. .	19.2	22.3
1955-56 .. .. .	16.6	14.1	October .. .. .	19.5	23.0
1956-57 .. .. .	16.5	14.5	November .. .. .	20.4	23.9
1957-58 .. .. .	16.0	14.9	December(b) .. .. .	21.0	24.2
1958-59 .. .. .	17.4	15.1	January .. .. .	20.9	24.8
1959-60 .. .. .	17.8	15.9	February .. .. .	20.2	25.3
1960-61 .. .. .	18.9	17.5	March .. .. .	19.9	25.9
1961-62 .. .. .	19.9	24.4	April(b) .. .. .	20.0	26.4
			May .. .. .	20.2	27.2
1960-61—			June .. .. .	20.3	27.6
December(b) .. .. .	20.1	17.3	1962-63—		
January .. .. .	19.6	17.5	July .. .. .	20.3	28.0
February .. .. .	19.0	17.9	August .. .. .	20.3	28.8
March .. .. .	18.3	18.4	September .. .. .	20.3	29.6
April .. .. .	18.3	19.0	October .. .. .	20.7	30.2
May .. .. .	18.5	19.8	November .. .. .	21.5	30.8
June .. .. .	18.6	20.5	December(b) .. .. .	21.9	30.8
1961-62—			January .. .. .	21.7	30.8
July .. .. .	18.7	20.7			

(a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.  
 (b) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

# COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a) (Major Trading Banks)

## LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(£ million.)

Period.	Deposits.				Coin, Bullion, and Cash with Reserve Bank.	Commonwealth and State Governments Securities.		Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short- Term Money Market.	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank. (e)	Loans (Other than Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market), Advances and Bills Discounted.
	Fixed. (b)	Current.		Total.		Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes. (d)	Other Securities.			
		Bearing Interest. (c)	Not Bearing Interest.							
Average of Weekly Figures—										
1957-58 .. ..	310.7	89.6	1,196.1	1,596.4	70.6	44.5	222.7	..	327.6	882.1
1958-59 .. ..	334.9	101.3	1,166.9	1,603.1	69.5	42.4	250.2	..	259.3	929.5
1959-60 .. ..	343.8	115.2	1,248.6	1,707.6	69.5	27.5	297.1	24.3	280.2	952.0
1960-61 .. ..	406.8	102.7	1,219.2	1,728.7	72.3	22.3	228.4	23.6	293.9	1,050.0
1961-62 .. ..	533.8	99.4	1,173.4	1,806.6	71.8	34.5	370.1	30.9	217.3	1,002.2
1960-61—										
December(f) ..	386.4	93.5	1,247.7	1,727.6	78.7	13.0	217.6	22.6	282.1	1,080.3
January .. ..	398.6	100.9	1,230.1	1,729.6	83.0	22.0	216.4	26.5	296.0	1,058.6
February .. ..	426.3	104.7	1,229.5	1,760.5	78.4	44.0	223.5	28.5	302.6	1,030.4
March .. ..	445.4	102.3	1,223.6	1,771.3	69.1	46.4	227.6	39.1	307.0	1,011.5
April .. ..	454.8	93.0	1,210.4	1,758.2	71.5	27.0	234.1	37.7	300.6	1,016.8
May .. ..	463.0	97.6	1,161.7	1,722.3	72.4	25.6	238.5	27.1	276.5	1,010.3
June .. ..	471.2	99.3	1,144.6	1,715.1	69.0	19.7	243.8	28.4	259.7	1,020.1
1961-62—										
July .. ..	486.2	104.8	1,110.0	1,701.0	76.3	26.6	261.0	28.1	218.9	1,034.9
August .. ..	502.4	102.2	1,106.0	1,710.6	67.5	27.2	294.2	31.4	213.0	1,014.6
September ..	514.2	101.0	1,113.1	1,728.3	72.2	28.6	330.9	31.1	213.5	1,000.8
October .. ..	525.0	102.6	1,137.9	1,765.5	70.0	31.8	355.3	32.3	215.5	1,007.2
November ..	534.1	94.1	1,162.2	1,790.4	71.2	30.2	372.3	31.2	219.8	999.0
December(f) ..	535.9	91.5	1,196.4	1,823.8	78.4	29.8	378.1	32.3	222.8	991.7
January .. ..	537.1	95.1	1,224.7	1,856.9	82.6	55.7	406.5	33.0	227.2	976.2
February .. ..	551.3	99.0	1,236.4	1,886.7	70.7	67.3	440.3	33.3	231.1	965.2
March .. ..	560.6	95.4	1,239.3	1,895.3	68.1	61.2	451.0	32.7	234.9	971.9
April(f) .. ..	562.6	95.4	1,225.2	1,883.2	63.8	30.6	429.4	31.6	233.9	1,008.8
May .. ..	554.3	103.7	1,184.8	1,842.8	70.3	13.6	381.2	28.2	198.0	1,022.0
June .. ..	551.3	105.3	1,167.6	1,824.2	70.1	12.4	364.4	26.5	194.6	1,031.4
1962-63—										
July .. ..	558.6	114.0	1,150.2	1,822.8	67.9	10.1	352.3	31.2	192.0	1,060.9
August .. ..	570.4	112.9	1,139.0	1,822.3	66.9	14.0	355.8	31.6	191.4	1,052.1
September ..	578.6	111.9	1,136.1	1,826.6	65.5	20.0	359.5	30.3	191.4	1,046.6
October .. ..	581.6	116.2	1,168.7	1,866.5	69.3	22.6	362.9	36.9	195.4	1,051.8
November ..	590.7	107.1	1,177.3	1,875.1	65.9	19.0	366.1	31.4	213.5	1,054.1
December(f) ..	595.0	108.3	1,212.4	1,915.7	79.1	28.2	362.4	31.2	215.3	1,052.1
January .. ..	600.9	113.1	1,237.1	1,951.1	84.5	51.1	377.3	40.1	219.4	1,044.6

(a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd., the Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, the Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd., The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd., The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd., The National Bank of Australasia Ltd. (b) Prior to February, 1960, fixed deposits—Australian Governments were included in current deposits bearing interest. (c) See note (b). (d) Figures for periods prior to July 1962 relate to Treasury Bills and Seasonal Securities, the latter Securities being replaced by Treasury Notes. (e) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Special Account with Commonwealth Bank. (f) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.



# COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a)

## (Major Trading Banks)

### RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(Per Cent.)

Period.	Percentages of Various Categories of Assets to Total Deposits.					Percentage Non-interest bearing to Total Deposits.
	Cash in Australia.	Cash + Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes.	Cash + Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes + other Commonwealth and State Government Securities.	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank.	Loans (Other than Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market), Advances and Bills Discounted.	
Average of Weekly Figures—						
1957-58 .. ..	4.4	7.2	21.2	20.5	55.3	74.9
1958-59 .. ..	4.3	7.0	22.6	16.2	58.0	72.8
1959-60 .. ..	4.1	5.7	23.1	16.4	55.8	73.1
1960-61 .. ..	4.2	5.5	18.7	17.0	60.7	70.5
1961-62 .. ..	4.0	5.9	26.4	12.0	55.5	65.0
1960-61—						
December (b) .. ..	4.5	5.3	17.9	16.3	62.5	72.2
January .. ..	4.8	6.1	18.6	17.1	61.2	71.1
February .. ..	4.5	7.0	19.7	17.2	58.5	69.8
March .. ..	3.9	6.5	19.4	17.3	57.1	66.6
April .. ..	4.1	5.6	18.9	17.1	57.8	68.9
May .. ..	4.2	5.7	19.5	16.1	58.7	67.5
June .. ..	4.0	5.2	19.4	15.1	59.5	66.7
1961-62—						
July .. ..	4.5	6.1	21.4	12.9	60.8	65.2
August .. ..	3.9	5.5	22.7	12.5	59.3	64.7
September .. ..	4.2	5.9	25.0	12.4	57.9	64.4
October .. ..	4.0	5.8	25.9	12.2	57.1	64.5
November .. ..	4.0	5.7	26.5	12.3	55.8	64.9
December (b) .. ..	4.3	6.0	26.7	12.2	54.4	65.6
January .. ..	4.4	7.4	29.3	12.2	52.6	66.0
February .. ..	3.7	7.3	30.6	12.3	51.2	65.5
March .. ..	3.6	6.8	30.6	12.4	51.3	65.4
April (b) .. ..	3.4	5.0	27.8	11.9	53.6	65.1
May .. ..	3.8	4.5	25.2	10.7	55.5	64.3
June .. ..	3.8	4.5	24.5	10.7	56.5	64.0
1962-63—						
July .. ..	3.7	4.3	23.6	10.5	58.2	63.1
August .. ..	3.7	4.5	23.0	10.5	57.7	62.5
September .. ..	3.6	4.7	24.4	10.5	57.3	62.2
October .. ..	3.7	4.9	24.4	10.5	56.4	62.6
November .. ..	3.5	4.5	24.0	11.4	56.2	62.8
December (b) .. ..	4.1	5.6	24.5	11.2	54.9	63.3
January .. ..	4.4	7.0	26.3	11.2	53.5	63.4

(a) See footnote (a), page 50.

(b) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

# COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS (a)

## (Major Trading Banks)

### NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS (£ million.)

New and Increased Lending Commitments.(b)						Overdraft Limits.(c)								
For Period ending Second Wednesday of—						Weekly Average.				At Second Wednesday of—(d)				Total Outstanding.
						Aggre- gate.	Term Loan Com- ponent.							
1961—						1960—								
August	..	..	..	7.5	..	July	..	..	..	..	1,682.4			
September	..	..	..	8.4	..	October	..	..	..	..	1,688.2			
October	..	..	..	9.4	..									
November	..	..	..	11.1	..	1961—								
December	..	..	..	11.5	..	January	..	..	..	..	1,623.6			
1962—						April	..	..	..	..	1,564.9			
January	..	..	..	8.6	..	July	..	..	..	..	1,571.5			
February	..	..	..	9.4	..	September	..	..	..	..	1,586.7			
March	..	..	..	12.5	..	October	..	..	..	..	1,605.5			
April	..	..	..	12.9	..	November	..	..	..	..	1,620.0			
May	..	..	..	10.2	n.a.	December	..	..	..	..	1,646.8			
June	..	..	..	9.5	n.a.	1962—								
July	..	..	..	10.2	0.8	January	..	..	..	..	1,651.4			
August	..	..	..	11.3	0.5	February	..	..	..	..	1,665.2			
September	..	..	..	9.9	1.0	March	..	..	..	..	1,682.5			
October	..	..	..	9.9	1.0	April	..	..	..	..	1,701.1			
November	..	..	..	10.8	0.7	May	..	..	..	..	1,713.7			
December	..	..	..	11.6	1.0	June	..	..	..	..	1,721.9			
1963—						July	..	..	..	..	1,732.8			
January	..	..	..	8.4	0.7	August	..	..	..	..	1,744.3			
						September	..	..	..	..	1,752.1			
						October	..	..	..	..	1,752.9			
						November	..	..	..	..	1,766.5			
						December	..	..	..	..	1,770.9			
						1963—								
						January	..	..	..	..	pl,762.5			

**ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a)**  
**LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA**  
 (£ million.)

Period.	Deposits.				Coin, Bullion, Notes and Cash with Reserve Bank.	Commonwealth and State Governments Securities.		Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short- Term Money Market.	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank. (e)	Loans (Other than Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market). Advances and Bills Discounted.
	Fixed. (b)	Current.		Total.		Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes. (d)	Other Securities.			
		Bearing Interest. (c)	Not Bearing Interest.							
Average of Weekly Figures—										
1957-58 .. ..	318.6	102.0	1,238.1	1,658.7	74.4	48.7	237.2	..	328.3	963.3
1958-59 .. ..	345.1	115.8	1,207.0	1,667.9	73.2	43.3	264.6	..	259.9	1,015.3
1959-60 .. ..	354.1	132.8	1,293.5	1,780.4	72.4	28.3	314.0	30.7	280.8	1,040.6
1960-61 .. ..	421.2	123.4	1,264.9	1,809.5	75.1	23.1	247.2	30.6	294.4	1,144.5
1961-62 .. ..	555.4	120.7	1,220.5	1,896.6	77.4	34.9	392.1	33.3	217.7	1,108.1
1960-61—										
December(f) ..	399.9	113.3	1,292.5	1,805.7	81.1	14.0	235.6	27.1	282.6	1,175.4
January .. ..	413.1	119.5	1,277.8	1,810.4	86.3	23.1	235.6	32.1	296.5	1,153.8
February .. ..	441.6	124.2	1,278.0	1,843.8	81.0	25.2	244.0	35.0	303.1	1,125.7
March .. ..	461.7	121.4	1,271.2	1,854.3	71.7	47.6	247.7	44.3	307.5	1,108.0
April .. ..	471.8	113.0	1,258.7	1,843.5	74.1	28.0	254.3	40.3	301.2	1,113.7
May .. ..	480.3	119.0	1,207.1	1,806.4	75.0	25.8	258.9	33.8	277.0	1,108.1
June .. ..	488.8	122.4	1,188.8	1,800.0	72.2	20.1	263.8	34.4	260.3	1,119.0
1961-62—										
July .. ..	504.2	128.8	1,153.4	1,786.4	80.2	26.9	283.2	32.0	219.4	1,134.8
August .. ..	521.1	125.3	1,149.2	1,795.6	70.5	27.5	317.6	34.7	213.5	1,114.9
September ..	533.6	123.1	1,156.4	1,813.1	75.9	29.2	352.0	33.2	214.0	1,103.9
October .. ..	545.0	124.1	1,182.3	1,851.4	73.7	32.8	374.2	35.7	215.9	1,112.4
November ..	554.4	114.9	1,207.6	1,876.9	75.0	31.1	391.4	33.5	220.2	1,105.9
December(f) ..	556.6	111.9	1,242.3	1,910.8	82.3	30.2	398.3	33.8	223.3	1,098.9
January .. ..	558.6	115.9	1,275.8	1,950.3	88.6	56.2	430.3	35.6	227.6	1,082.3
February .. ..	574.4	118.3	1,287.9	1,980.6	77.5	67.8	464.6	34.9	231.5	1,070.8
March .. ..	584.2	115.5	1,290.4	1,990.1	75.9	61.5	474.5	34.7	235.4	1,079.1
April(f) .. ..	586.2	117.1	1,275.5	1,978.8	72.0	30.5	452.5	34.2	224.4	1,116.9
May .. ..	578.6	126.1	1,232.9	1,937.6	79.1	13.6	403.3	29.6	198.4	1,132.8
June .. ..	577.7	125.0	1,215.7	1,918.4	77.2	12.4	385.9	27.9	195.0	1,143.4
1962-63—										
July .. ..	586.6	133.6	1,197.6	1,917.8	74.6	10.1	373.7	32.8	192.5	1,175.6
August .. ..	599.0	132.1	1,185.7	1,916.8	73.3	14.0	367.5	33.1	191.8	1,168.5
September ..	607.4	130.8	1,183.7	1,921.9	71.6	20.0	379.6	32.0	191.8	1,164.6
October .. ..	610.9	135.0	1,217.4	1,963.3	73.7	23.8	382.6	38.5	195.8	1,172.8
November ..	620.4	126.2	1,225.0	1,971.6	70.1	20.4	385.7	33.0	213.9	1,175.9
December(f) ..	625.1	127.0	1,260.8	2,012.9	83.4	29.4	381.9	32.6	215.8	1,174.1
January .. ..	631.4	132.3	1,291.0	2,054.7	89.8	53.6	398.7	43.1	219.8	1,167.0

(a) Covers the Commonwealth and Private Trading Banks, and in addition the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd., Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, the General Banking Department of the State Bank of South Australia, and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) See note (b) page 50. (c) See note (c) page 50. (d) See note (d) page 50. (e) See note (e) page 50. (f) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

# ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS: DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS(a)

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)

(£ million.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
Average of Weekly Figures—									
1952-53 .. ..	151.9	132.0	43.8	30.1	22.1	8.8	0.5	0.6	389.8
1953-54 .. ..	171.7	154.9	51.0	32.8	25.4	9.9	0.5	0.8	447.0
1954-55 .. ..	187.5	176.2	53.9	36.3	26.2	10.7	0.5	0.8	492.1
1955-56 .. ..	200.9	185.4	56.0	39.6	26.9	11.6	0.6	1.0	522.0
1956-57 .. ..	219.4	195.5	62.7	42.7	28.6	12.6	0.6	1.2	563.3
1957-58 .. ..	230.4	207.1	65.6	44.3	30.2	12.9	0.7	1.5	592.7
1958-59 .. ..	248.9	224.7	70.3	46.2	30.7	13.8	0.8	2.0	637.4
1959-60 .. ..	296.3	264.6	79.1	53.4	34.9	15.5	0.9	2.7	747.4
1960-61 .. ..	322.5	282.9	81.9	58.0	37.8	16.3	1.0	3.4	803.8
1961-62 .. ..	327.0	295.0	82.2	58.1	40.2	16.0	1.1	4.0	823.6
1960-61—									
December .. ..	344.4	308.3	82.6	58.3	40.0	18.5	1.1	3.3	856.5
January .. ..	290.2	259.0	78.4	54.0	42.8	15.1	1.0	2.3	742.8
February .. ..	306.4	272.0	76.6	58.9	36.4	14.8	0.9	2.8	768.8
March .. ..	317.2	282.4	76.8	59.8	38.7	16.7	0.9	3.3	795.8
April .. ..	301.7	263.7	76.5	57.8	36.5	15.9	0.9	4.1	757.1
May .. ..	326.6	289.5	80.9	57.5	38.5	17.4	1.0	3.8	815.2
June .. ..	316.2	272.3	79.5	57.3	34.6	16.1	1.1	4.6	781.7
1961-62—									
July .. ..	322.2	297.7	85.4	55.6	37.6	16.5	1.1	4.0	820.1
August .. ..	282.8	270.1	74.1	49.7	35.0	14.0	1.1	2.9	729.7
September .. ..	313.4	284.0	83.0	52.4	37.4	14.5	1.1	3.2	789.0
October .. ..	338.7	292.4	84.5	57.3	39.3	16.2	1.1	3.7	833.2
November .. ..	331.6	287.9	81.3	56.3	39.0	14.8	1.1	3.6	815.6
December .. ..	339.8	326.9	84.7	64.1	44.2	16.9	1.1	3.8	881.5
January .. ..	296.9	261.2	75.6	53.1	42.9	13.5	1.0	4.0	748.2
February .. ..	337.7	309.9	82.9	62.1	43.4	15.2	1.1	3.7	856.0
March .. ..	331.9	291.9	81.7	62.1	43.5	17.6	1.0	4.6	834.3
April .. ..	330.5	295.0	84.7	60.1	38.2	16.3	1.0	4.1	829.9
May .. ..	360.1	319.2	85.0	63.8	42.8	19.8	1.2	4.2	896.1
June .. ..	347.6	314.3	86.4	62.9	39.0	17.9	1.2	6.0	875.3
1962-63—									
July .. ..	368.0	335.1	94.0	66.8	42.1	18.7	1.3	5.2	931.2
August .. ..	323.1	291.2	83.6	58.1	39.4	17.1	1.3	5.1	818.9
September .. ..	344.2	311.5	90.8	61.9	40.7	16.1	1.4	4.0	870.6
October .. ..	362.1	322.0	95.8	65.0	44.3	17.0	1.4	4.9	912.5
November .. ..	351.2	313.2	89.5	64.7	43.9	16.5	1.3	4.7	885.0
December .. ..	374.8	340.3	94.8	70.0	45.1	19.5	1.3	6.5	952.3
January .. ..	335.5	299.6	84.8	59.9	49.5	15.2	1.2	4.5	850.2

(a) Averages of four or five weeks ended on last Wednesday. Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 53, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank (prior to 14th January, 1960 the Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of the Commonwealth Bank).

# SAVINGS BANKS: DEPOSITORS' BALANCES

(£ million.)

At end of—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
June, 1958	449.0	433.6	153.2	148.9	66.0	40.2	2.1	3.8	1,296.8
„ 1959	488.3	458.4	166.7	157.1	71.5	42.5	2.2	4.6	1,391.3
„ 1960	541.6	499.6	182.6	166.0	78.6	46.4	2.5	5.4	a 1,522.7
„ 1961	569.2	517.5	187.1	166.8	80.7	47.4	2.7	6.1	a 1,577.5
„ 1962	625.0	570.9	205.9	181.0	90.5	51.2	3.1	7.3	a 1,734.9
1961-62—									
Dec. ..	594.3	544.0	197.6	170.5	85.5	49.1	3.0	6.6	1,650.6
January	595.5	546.1	196.3	171.7	86.1	49.3	2.9	6.8	1,654.7
February	599.3	549.6	196.7	173.0	86.7	49.8	2.9	6.9	1,664.9
March	600.8	551.8	196.9	173.7	86.9	50.1	2.9	7.0	1,670.1
April ..	599.2	548.9	196.5	172.3	86.9	50.0	2.9	7.0	1,663.7
May ..	606.5	552.9	198.4	173.0	87.6	50.3	2.9	7.2	1,678.8
June ..	625.0	570.9	205.9	181.0	90.5	51.2	3.1	7.3	a 1,734.9
1962-63—									
July ..	630.5	577.4	210.0	183.5	92.2	51.7	3.2	7.6	1,756.1
August	641.3	588.3	214.6	186.4	94.2	53.1	3.3	7.8	1,789.0
Sept. ..	646.6	595.1	217.5	187.9	95.3	53.5	3.4	7.9	1,807.2
Oct. ..	657.4	604.0	221.4	190.9	97.1	53.8	3.5	8.2	1,836.3
Nov. ..	662.0	609.2	223.2	192.6	98.0	54.1	3.5	8.3	1,850.9
Dec. ..	663.3	610.5	223.3	192.5	97.6	53.8	3.4	8.2	1,852.6
January	668.5	613.8	222.7	194.8	98.0	54.0	3.4	8.5	1,863.7

(a) Interest added 1959-60, £40.2 m; 1960-61, £44.7 m; 1961-62, £52.7 m. The major part of this interest was added in June.

## SAVINGS BANKS: SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a)

(£ million.)

At end of—	Coin, Bullion and Australian Notes.	Deposits with Reserve Bank.	Deposits with Trading Banks.	Commonwealth and States' Securities.(b)	Local and Semi-Governmental Authorities' Securities.	Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-term Money Market.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	
							Housing.	Other.
June, 1958	2.8	104.6	54.6	719.4	224.5	..	228.1	
„ 1959	3.3	122.0	53.7	740.1	248.9	..	261.0	
„ 1960	2.9	133.3	54.9	793.8	285.3	1.7	277.3	23.5
„ 1961	4.3	135.7	47.4	789.3	312.2	7.6	312.1	26.7
„ 1962	4.9	154.6	60.8	832.6	352.7	13.8	345.7	28.6
1961-62—								
Dec. ..	5.4	145.2	57.0	814.4	331.0	16.8	328.8	27.6
January ..	4.8	147.1	56.0	820.6	333.3	13.5	328.7	28.3
February	4.5	148.7	57.8	825.1	336.9	14.3	330.9	28.4
March ..	4.5	156.5	53.2	826.7	340.8	13.8	333.4	28.4
April ..	5.3	149.9	56.7	823.1	344.5	14.3	335.2	28.5
May ..	4.3	147.7	57.1	828.7	347.1	15.6	338.1	28.8
June ..	4.9	154.6	60.8	832.6	352.7	13.8	345.7	28.6
1962-63—								
July ..	5.0	154.2	60.6	843.7	359.5	16.1	348.3	28.9
August ..	4.1	161.0	63.3	854.8	370.9	16.0	351.7	29.4
Sept. ..	4.8	165.6	60.3	866.8	377.9	14.3	355.0	29.8
October ..	4.7	177.0	61.8	874.7	386.6	18.6	358.7	29.9
Nov. ..	4.1	183.0	60.9	879.8	393.1	16.1	363.0	30.5
Dec. ..	6.0	171.8	61.4	884.3	397.9	15.6	369.9	30.8
January	4.6	173.4	58.5	893.1	403.2	13.1	371.6	31.1

(a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island.

(b) Includes Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes.

See note (d) page 50.

## SHORT-TERM MONEY MARKET

(Selected Assets and Liabilities of Authorized Dealers and Rates of Interest on Loans.)

Month.	Liabilities to Clients.			Holdings of Common-wealth Government Securities (at par value.)	Interest Rates on Loans accepted During Month.				Weighted Average Interest Rate on Loans Outstanding. (a)
	All Cheque-Paying Banks.	Other Clients.	Total.		At Call.		For Fixed Periods.		
					Minimum per cent. per annum.	Maximum per cent. per annum.	Minimum per cent. per annum.	Maximum per cent. per annum.	
1959—June ..	28.3	19.8	48.1	50.4	2.94	3.13	3.00	3.50	3.11
1960 „ ..	27.2	52.7	79.9	82.3	2.75	3.50	3.00	3.50	3.25
1961 „ ..	34.4	62.7	97.1	100.4	2.50	4.88	3.50	4.83	4.17
1962 „ ..	27.9	88.5	116.4	121.2	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
1961—62—Nov. ..	33.5	76.3	109.8	113.5	2.25	4.31	2.75	4.34	3.62
Dec.(b) ..	33.8	76.6	110.4	114.1	2.25	4.00	2.75	4.00	3.50
Jan. ..	35.6	74.8	110.4	114.0	2.00	3.75	2.75	3.88	3.13
Feb. ..	34.9	73.8	108.7	112.5	2.00	3.93	3.00	3.94	3.43
March ..	34.7	76.0	110.7	114.8	2.00	4.00	3.50	3.94	3.46
April(b) ..	34.2	79.5	113.7	118.0	2.25	4.06	3.65	4.13	3.64
May ..	29.6	87.7	117.3	121.9	2.00	4.06	3.25	4.13	3.62
June ..	27.9	88.5	116.4	121.2	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
1962—63—July ..	32.8	84.6	117.4	121.3	2.00	3.81	2.75	3.75	3.34
Aug. ..	33.1	82.2	115.3	120.0	2.00	4.13	3.38	4.13	5.59
Sept. ..	32.0	82.7	114.7	119.6	2.00	4.25	3.38	4.31	3.70
Oct. ..	38.5	86.4	124.9	129.9	2.00	4.13	3.50	4.00	3.49
Nov. ..	33.0	96.5	129.5	135.1	2.00	4.00	3.25	3.94	3.50
Dec.(b) ..	32.6	92.1	124.7	132.4	2.00	4.31	3.00	4.25	3.69

(a) As at last Wednesday.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

(Source: Reserve Bank.)

## NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the "investing public" includes banks and life assurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdrafts, loan to authorized dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

### NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (£ million.)

Period.	Companies listed on Stock Exchanges.			Companies not listed on Stock Exchanges.			Grand Total.
	Share Capital.	Debentures, Registered Notes and Deposits.	Total.	Share Capital.	Secured Loans. (a)	Total.	
Quarterly Average—							
1957-58 .. ..	8.8	20.5	29.3	5.2	1.1	6.3	35.6
1958-59 .. ..	12.2	35.6	47.8	4.5	3.1	7.6	55.4
1959-60 .. ..	12.0	50.1	62.1	8.9	2.9	11.8	73.9
1960-61 .. ..	24.6	30.2	54.8	8.1	2.3	10.4	65.2
1961-62 .. ..	19.1	24.9	44.0				
Quarterly Total—							
1960-61—Dec. Qtr.	29.1	48.7	77.8	9.0	3.3	12.3	90.1
March „	19.9	8.8	28.7	6.1	1.8	7.9	36.6
June „	25.3	2.5	27.8	9.6	2.7	12.3	40.1
1961-62—Sept. „	26.0	29.6	55.6	6.4	1.2	7.6	63.2
Dec. „	17.6	26.6	44.2	5.9	2.2	8.1	52.3
March „	17.6	12.2	29.8	p 5.7	p 2.1	p 7.8	p 37.6
June „	15.0	31.2	46.2			p 11.4	p 57.6
1962-63—Sept „ p	13.4	26.1	39.5				
Dec. „ p			45.0				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.



# LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

Period.	New Policies Issued (excluding Annuities).(b)						Premiums.(c)			Claims, etc., Paid.(d)			New Loans Paid Over. (e)
	Ordinary Business.		Industrial Business.		Superannuation Business.		Ordinary.	Industrial.	Superannuation.	Ordinary.	Industrial.	Superannuation.	
	Number.	Sum Insured.	Number.	Sum Insured.	Number.	Sum Insured.							
Monthly Average—	'000.	£m.	'000.	£m.	'000.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	
1952-53 .. ..	23.6	18.8	22.9	2.9	..	..	4.2	1.1	..	1.6	0.6	..	3.0
1953-54 .. ..	23.7	21.2	20.0	2.7	..	..	4.7	1.2	..	1.8	0.7	..	2.9
1954-55 .. ..	23.5	24.4	18.4	2.7	..	..	5.2	1.2	..	2.0	0.7	..	4.3
1955-56 .. ..	24.8	27.9	17.6	2.7	..	..	5.8	1.2	..	2.3	0.8	..	4.7
1956-57 .. ..	24.3	32.7	17.5	2.8	..	..	6.5	1.2	..	2.5	0.8	..	5.0
1957-58 .. ..	25.0	37.6	17.4	2.8	..	..	7.3	1.3	..	2.8	0.9	..	4.9
1958-59 .. ..	26.3	43.4	16.0	2.7	..	..	8.0	1.3	..	3.1	0.9	..	6.1
1959-60 .. ..	33.6	57.6	15.8	2.8	..	..	8.9	1.3	..	3.4	0.9	..	6.2
1960-61 .. ..	27.7	49.5	15.1	3.6	(f)7.6	f17.6	9.7	1.3	..	4.3	1.1	..	7.1
1961-62 .. ..	26.5	51.5	13.8	3.9	6.3	19.7	g11.1	1.3	..	(g)4.6	1.1	..	5.1
Monthly Total—													
1960-61— October ..	26.5	47.4	16.7	4.1	7.1	12.0	8.5	1.4	..	5.2	1.1	..	7.7
November .. ..	29.0	47.9	15.3	4.2	7.4	14.3	9.0	1.5	..	4.6	1.2	..	8.3
December(b) .. ..	29.4	86.9	11.8	3.5	8.0	51.0	10.0	1.6	..	4.6	0.9	..	8.5
January .. ..	15.8	26.4	5.0	1.0	4.8	9.2	7.9	0.7	..	3.2	0.8	..	5.6
February .. ..	20.6	33.4	14.4	3.1	5.3	9.2	8.4	1.2	..	3.6	1.1	..	6.4
March .. ..	25.7	46.9	16.4	4.1	5.8	12.0	10.0	1.3	..	4.6	1.3	..	7.3
April .. ..	23.3	38.6	12.7	3.1	6.1	10.1	9.3	1.2	..	4.2	1.0	..	5.2
May .. ..	28.3	47.1	17.5	4.1	6.8	13.2	10.9	1.4	..	4.6	1.2	..	6.4
June .. ..	30.7	55.1	16.7	4.3	5.4	13.5	12.4	1.3	..	5.5	1.3	..	5.6
1961-62— July ..	30.1	52.9	18.5	4.4	4.8	12.6	11.0	1.3	..	5.3	1.4	..	7.0
August .. ..	29.1	51.3	18.6	4.3	6.3	17.1	10.3	1.5	..	4.7	1.5	..	5.2
September(b) ..	31.6	58.4	15.9	4.4	11.5	32.3	13.4	1.4	..	5.0	1.3	..	6.0
October .. ..	25.6	48.6	14.4	3.6	6.1	13.6	10.0	1.3	..	4.0	1.3	..	4.7
November .. ..	27.1	50.8	14.8	4.0	6.4	13.5	10.0	1.5	..	4.0	1.3	..	4.4
December(b) ..	27.1	69.9	11.3	3.8	7.9	62.6	12.1	1.8	..	4.8	0.9	..	4.9
January .. ..	16.5	31.3	5.2	1.1	5.6	11.5	7.1	0.6	(f)2.6	2.7	0.8	(f)0.9	3.2
February .. ..	20.9	37.8	12.4	3.3	4.4	9.6	6.9	1.2	2.3	3.1	1.0	1.0	4.0
March .. ..	27.9	55.1	15.1	5.0	5.7	15.2	7.7	1.5	3.0	3.2	1.2	1.6	5.1
April .. ..	23.9	47.8	13.7	4.3	5.8	12.6	7.0	1.3	3.7	2.9	1.0	0.8	4.4
May .. ..	27.5	51.4	11.6	3.8	5.3	15.3	8.8	1.3	2.7	3.6	1.1	1.2	6.1
June .. ..	31.2	61.5	13.9	4.9	5.7	21.1	10.2	1.3	3.8	4.1	1.1	1.5	6.0
1962-63— July ..	30.3	60.6	18.0	5.8	6.0	21.0	9.8	1.4	2.8	3.9	1.2	1.8	6.3
August .. ..	27.8	57.6	15.0	5.2	7.1	21.2	8.4	1.4	3.0	3.6	1.2	1.1	5.1
September .. ..	32.3	61.9	13.1	4.6	8.0	29.0	8.0	1.3	3.6	3.4	1.0	1.3	4.9
October .. ..	25.4	52.9	14.2	4.8	5.8	14.8	8.5	1.5	2.6	3.7	1.2	1.3	6.2
November .. ..	25.8	50.2	14.9	5.5	8.0	22.3	8.0	1.4	2.9	3.6	1.2	1.2	4.5

(a) Excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office, which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. Monthly averages for the years 1937 to 1947 are based on annual returns for the financial years of the companies. From 1947-48 the figures have been compiled from monthly returns. (b) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written. Recordings tend to concentrate more in the last month of a company's year; months mainly affected are September and December. (c) Includes consideration for annuities. (d) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (e) Excludes advances of premiums. (f) Figures for earlier periods not available separately; included with Ordinary Business. (g) Includes superannuation. Separate details of superannuation, which are available for the latter six months of 1961-62, are given below.

# INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period.	Inter- national Reserves. (a)	Exchange Rates.(b)			Gold Prices.(b)		Commonwealth Govern- ment Securities.		Private First Mortgages Registered in New South Wales. (Revised Series). (f)
		Australia on London.(c)	London on New York. (c)	Australia on New York. (d)	Australia.	London.	Theoretical 2 years.(e)	Theoretical 15 years.(e)	
	£m.	£A. per £100Stg.	\$ per £Stg.	\$ per £A.	£A. per fine oz.	£Stg. per fine oz.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent. (g) (h)
1957-58 .. ..	525.4	125.25	2.805	2.232	15.625	12.491	4.38	4.99	7.3
1958-59 .. ..	516.4	125.25	2.809	2.235	15.625	12.496	4.16	4.94	7.4
1959-60 .. ..	512.0	125.25	2.805	2.233	15.625	12.511	4.01	4.91	8.3
1960-61 .. ..	550.8	125.25	2.804	2.232	15.625	12.589	5.06	5.21	8.7
1961-62 .. ..	561.2	125.25	2.810	2.236	15.625	12.505	4.45	5.06	8.8
1960-61—									(i)
December .. ..	376.3	125.25	2.808	2.234	15.625	12.657	5.60	5.30	8.9
January .. ..	374.5	125.25	2.807	2.234	15.625	12.673	5.50	5.34	8.8
February .. ..	373.6	125.25	2.800	2.229	15.625	12.559	5.49	5.38	8.6
March .. ..	388.1	125.25	2.798	2.227	15.625	12.539	5.46	5.35	8.5
April .. ..	416.5	125.25	2.798	2.227	15.625	12.536	5.46	5.36	8.5
May .. ..	531.1	125.25	2.794	2.224	15.625	12.548	5.43	5.36	8.6
June .. ..	550.8	125.25	2.790	2.220	15.625	12.568	5.23	5.36	8.6
1961-62—									
July .. ..	574.6	125.25	2.787	2.218	15.625	12.598	4.93	5.34	8.7
August .. ..	571.1	125.25	2.803	2.231	15.625	12.546	4.60	5.35	8.7
September .. ..	573.4	125.25	2.812	2.238	15.625	12.515	4.59	5.33	8.7
October .. ..	578.0	125.25	2.815	2.241	15.625	12.501	4.46	5.13	8.7
November .. ..	587.0	125.25	2.815	2.240	15.625	12.500	4.38	4.99	8.8
December .. ..	601.7	125.25	2.810	2.236	15.625	12.508	4.36	4.98	8.8
January .. ..	596.1	125.25	2.811	2.237	15.625	12.510	4.35	4.94	8.9
February .. ..	607.7	125.25	2.815	2.240	15.625	12.480	4.39	4.94	8.8
March .. ..	537.6	125.25	2.815	2.241	15.625	12.463	4.39	4.95	8.8
April .. ..	550.3	125.25	2.814	2.240	15.625	12.465	4.38	4.93	8.8
May .. ..	565.5	125.25	2.812	2.238	15.625	12.473	4.31	4.93	8.9
June .. ..	561.2	125.25	2.809	2.232	15.625	12.500	4.30	4.93	9.1
1962-63—									
July .. ..	574.9	125.25	2.807	2.234	15.625	12.513	4.30	4.90	9.1
August .. ..	565.8	125.25	2.804	2.232	15.625	12.526	4.26	4.91	9.1
September .. ..	560.5	125.25	2.801	2.229	15.625	12.541	4.25	4.94	9.1
October .. ..	570.9	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.543	4.20	4.90	9.1
November .. ..	585.7	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.524	4.14	4.86	9.1
December .. ..	586.1	125.25	2.803	2.231	15.625	12.512	4.13	4.88	9.1
January .. ..	587.4	125.25	2.805	2.232	15.625	12.499	4.11	4.86	9.0

(a) Source: Reserve Bank. Net Gold and Foreign Exchange Holdings (Official and Banking Institutions). See page 22, Reserve Bank of Australia Statistical Bulletin, Financial Supplement, September, 1960, for a description of this series. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. (b) Average of daily quotations. (c) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (d) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (e) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 2s. in the pound has not been taken into account. Prior to July, 1959, rates applied to securities maturing in 2 and 12 years, estimated from rates on securities maturing in 0-5 and 10 or more years, respectively. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. Since July, 1959, theoretical 2-year and theoretical 15-year securities. Average for the week is centred on last Wednesday of the month. (f) From 1956-57, includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals, except completely abnormal amounts of £1 m. or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. Certain other refinements previously incorporated in the series have now been excluded in order to indicate current trends more accurately. Figures prior to 1956-57 have not been adjusted, but the variation between the adjusted and unadjusted series in these earlier years is negligible. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) Rural and urban securities. (i) Average rate on mortgages registered in three months ending with month shown.

# INTEREST RATES

(Per Cent. per Annum.)

Date of Change in Rate.	Trading Banks—						Common-wealth Savings Bank Deposits (Maximum Rate).	Common-wealth Loans (Long Term).
	Fixed Deposits—				Overdrafts (Maximum Rate).			
	3 months.	6 months.	12months.	24months.	Common-wealth Trading Bank.(a)	Private Trading Banks.		
1947—1st January .. ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.125
1949—1st May .. ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.125
1951—21st August .. ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.750
1952—29th July .. ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	(c)1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	3.750
25th November .. ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	(c)1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	4.500
1955—1st January .. ..	1.25	1.50	1.75	2.00	4.75	5.00	2.50	4.500
1956—15th March .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	4.75	5.00	2.50	4.500
1st April .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	4.500
10th May .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	5.000
4th December .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	5.000
1958—1st November .. ..	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	3.00	5.000
1960—17th November .. ..	4.00		4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.00	5.000
1961—1st January .. ..	4.00		4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.25	5.000
22nd February .. ..	4.00		4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.25	5.375
1st July .. ..	4.00		4.25	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.50	5.375
1962—7th February .. ..	4.00		4.25	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.50	5.000
13th April .. ..	3.75		4.00	(e)	7.00	7.00	3.50	5.000

(a) Prior to 3rd December, 1953, General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) 1 per cent. on amounts in excess of £10,000. (c) 1.50 per cent. on amounts in excess of £10,000. (d) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 5½ per cent. (e) From 17th November, 1960 to 10th September, 1962 banks did not accept fixed deposits for periods longer than 12 months. From 10th September, 1962 banks were permitted to accept fixed deposits for periods up to 15 months. (f) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 6 per cent.

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT REDEEMABLE IN AUSTRALIA(a)

(£'000.)

Date.	Commonwealth.		States.	Total.	Date.	Commonwealth.		States.	Total.
	Treasury Bills.	Seasonal Securities.				Treasury Bills.	Seasonal Securities.		
30th June—					1961—62—				
1953 ..	225,000	..	..	225,000	31st Aug.	206,000	..	2,000	208,000
1954 ..	190,000	..	..	190,000	30th Sept.	236,000	25,099	2,000	263,099
1955 ..	160,000	..	..	160,000	31st Oct.	268,000	40,227	2,000	310,227
1956 ..	165,000	..	..	165,000	30th Nov.	285,000	48,203	7,000	340,203
1957 ..	150,000	..	..	150,000	31st Dec.	303,000	49,350	11,000	363,350
1958 ..	140,000	..	..	140,000	31st Jan.	248,000	95,924	10,000	353,924
1959 ..	171,000	..	..	171,000	28th Feb.	216,000	82,012	8,000	306,012
1960 ..	201,000	..	..	201,000	31st Mar.	213,000	86,125	5,500	304,625
1961 ..	186,000	..	..	186,000	30th Apr.	190,000	30,741	5,000	225,741
1962 ..	208,000	..	..	208,000	31st May	174,000	19,417	1,000	194,417
					30th June	208,000	..	..	208,000
1960—61—					1962—63—				
31st Jan.	332,000	35,167	..	367,167	31st July	168,000	(b)18,653	1,000	187,653
28th Feb.	319,000	42,316	..	361,316	31st Aug.	179,000	(b)44,867	2,000	225,867
31st Mar.	282,000	47,513	..	329,513	30th Sept.	187,000	(b)59,966	2,000	248,966
30th Apr.	224,000	25,246	..	249,246	31st Oct.	225,000	(b)59,885	3,000	287,885
31st May	192,000	8,094	..	200,094	30th Nov.	264,000	(b)66,436	4,000	334,436
30th June	186,000	..	..	186,000	31st Dec.	265,000	(b)70,989	4,000	339,989
1961—62—					31st Jan.	189,000	(b)136,018	2,000	327,018
31st July	180,000	..	1,000	181,000					

(a) Excludes overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills. (b) Treasury Notes.

# COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE(a)

## CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(£ million.)

Period.	New South Wales.(a)	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Six States.	Common-wealth.	Grand Total.(b)
REVENUE.									
1957-58 .. ..	231.5	142.3	88.0	66.3	57.1	20.0	605.2	1,323.8	1,690.7
1958-59 .. ..	239.8	151.2	99.0	68.0	60.1	21.9	640.0	1,296.1	1,682.9
1959-60 .. ..	262.5	168.3	103.1	76.1	64.4	24.3	698.7	1,438.3	1,857.3
1960-61 .. ..	282.4	185.1	108.8	82.0	69.3	27.8	755.4	1,638.3	2,085.3
1961-62p.. ..	296.5	196.3	117.3	89.1	74.9	30.3	804.4	1,641.5	2,102.5
1962-63 (Estimate)	310.2	205.0	121.2	92.2	78.2	31.5	838.3	1,665.4	2,144.0
1960-61—									
July-November ..	106.1	61.2	41.0	29.9	24.3	8.3	270.8	480.7	630.3
July-December ..	127.3	75.3	51.6	36.9	31.3	11.4	333.8	602.8	808.1
July-January ..	147.9	87.5	58.7	43.3	36.1	13.0	386.5	716.6	953.5
1961-62—									
July-November ..	110.1	64.4	41.3	32.6	30.6	9.5	288.5	481.3	650.2
July-December ..	131.6	78.6	51.9	39.6	37.5	12.4	351.6	598.5	806.8
July-January ..	153.1	91.4	60.4	47.1	43.4	14.4	409.8	713.1	955.8
1962-63—									
July-November ..	115.2	66.4	46.2	34.5	28.4	10.3	301.0	491.8	668.0
July-December ..	137.4	81.1	57.3	42.2	35.5	13.3	366.8	607.6	825.2
July-January ..	161.3		65.8	50.0	41.3	15.3		732.3	
EXPENDITURE.									
1957-58 .. ..	231.5	145.5	89.5	66.7	58.2	20.8	612.2	1,323.8	1,697.7
1958-59 .. ..	239.7	153.8	100.2	69.1	61.8	22.7	647.3	1,296.1	1,690.3
1959-60 .. ..	262.4	168.0	103.2	76.4	65.8	25.3	701.1	1,438.3	1,859.8
1960-61 .. ..	282.7	184.9	109.4	80.8	70.5	28.0	756.3	1,638.3	2,086.3
1961-62p.. ..	299.6	196.3	117.2	88.6	75.9	30.7	808.3	1,641.5	2,106.3
1962-63 (Estimate)	310.2	205.6	121.2	92.8	79.0	32.3	841.1	1,665.4	2,146.8
1960-61—									
July-November ..	108.9	69.5	44.5	31.8	28.1	11.6	294.4	576.4	766.5
July-December ..	131.1	85.2	55.0	37.4	35.6	13.6	357.9	706.3	936.8
July-January ..	150.1	97.1	62.4	43.0	41.1	14.7	408.4	820.3	1,079.2
1961-62—									
July-November ..	117.7	75.9	46.5	35.5	31.5	12.6	319.7	642.7	843.0
July-December ..	139.8	91.3	56.8	41.4	38.4	14.8	382.5	770.1	1,009.1
July-January ..	161.3	104.8	64.6	47.8	44.2	16.3	439.0	890.7	1,162.6
1962-63—									
July-November ..	124.1	80.5	49.0	37.3	32.9	14.3	338.1	671.8	885.1
July-December ..	144.1	96.8	60.3	43.4	39.5	16.6	400.7	796.6	1,048.1
July-January ..	167.7		67.9	50.0	45.1	17.9		923.6	

(a) Figures for N.S.W. represent combined transactions of Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways, Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payments to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State Consolidated Revenue Funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and National Welfare Fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.